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Report of SA [REDACTED] at Atlanta, 12/7/62.

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Will continue to follow the activities of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference through sources to determine any Communist Party affiliation with this organization.

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**Synopsis:**

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. continues as President of Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC). HUNTER PITTS O'DELL, CP National Committeeman, still associated with SCLC in New York City. SCLC requested donation in December, 1962, from VAUD BENNETT, Chairman of the CP of Indiana. Leadership of SCLC very favorable toward Southern Conference Educational Fund and CARL BRADEN. [REDACTED] SCLC described it as lacking organization, business finesse and skilled leaders. He also stated that STANLEY LEVISON has MARTIN LUTHER KING's "ear" and is close to O'DELL. LEVISON known to source as a secret member of CP USA. (u)

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DETAILS:

On March 11, 1963, ROBERT B. STIKES, Sheriff, Liberty County, Georgia, furnished to SA [REDACTED] a Citizenship Workbook of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) which sets forth the officers of the organization as follows:

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., President  
RALPH ABERNATHY, Treasurer  
WYATT TEE WALKER, Executive Director  
GOULD MAYNARD, Director, Public Relations

CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION PROGRAM

Mrs. SEPTIMA P. CLARK, Supervisor of Teacher Training  
ANDREW J. YOUNG, Administrator  
Mrs. DOROTHY F. COTTON, Educational Consultant  
Mrs. BENITA PACKER, Secretary

VOTER REGISTRATION PROJECT

J. H. O'DELL, Staff Consultant  
HARRY BLAKE, Louisiana  
JAMES BEVEL, Mississippi  
HERBERT COULTON, Virginia  
BERNARD LEE, Student Liaison  
J. H. CALHOUN, Georgia  
FRED BENNETTE, Georgia

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

(~~AT~~ T-1 advised on June 13, 1963, that ~~MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.~~ had been described as a real "Marxist-Leninist" who is following the Marxist-Leninist line) (S) (u)

HUNTER PITTS O'DELL, also known as  
J. H. O'DELL, JACK O'DELL

(~~T~~-1 advised that as of July, 1962, the Communist Party USA (CP) considered O'DELL to be a member of its National Committee) (S) (u)

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On December 27, 1962, [redacted] of the Waluhaje Apartment Hotel, 239 West Lake Avenue, Atlanta, Georgia, advised SA EUGENE D. MURPHY that she had been reading in the newspaper that HUNTER PITTS O'DELL was a Communist and the fact that MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. had released him from the SCLC when he found O'DELL to be connected with the CP. [redacted] stated, however, that O'DELL had registered into the Waluhaje at 12:10 p.m. on December 7, 1962, and represented himself to be with the New York Office of SCLC.

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On January 14, 1963, [redacted] advised that her records show O'DELL registered into room 219 on January 10, 1963, and checked out on the same date. She said he again registered on January 12, 1963, and checked out on January 14, 1963. On both of these occasions he also represented himself as being with the New York Office of SCLC and gave his address as 312 West 125th Street.

On January 4, 1963, AT T-2 advised that O'DELL continues to be involved with SCLC in New York City in a fund-raising capacity, but understood that O'DELL was not currently on the SCLC payroll.

On January 7, 1963, [redacted] of the Waluhaje Apartment Hotel, advised her records showed that O'DELL checked in on December 27, 1962 and checked out on January 7, 1963. At this time [redacted] said that O'DELL requested that his bill be charged to SCLC, but because of the publicity that O'DELL had been fired from SCLC, [redacted] requested him to get confirmation for having the bill charged to the SCLC Office in Atlanta.

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[redacted] advised that EDWINA SMITH, who identified herself as a secretary at SCLC, confirmed to [redacted] telephonically that the bill would be paid by SCLC.

On December 7, 1962, AT T-3 advised that on November 26, 1962, VAUD BENNETT, Chairman of the CP of Indiana, received in the mail a typed letter from MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., 322 Auburn Avenue, NE, Atlanta, Georgia, making an appeal for funds for SCLC.

AT T-4 stated on February 25, 1963, that the SCLC leadership, including MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. and WYATT TEE WALKER, are very favorable toward Southern Conference Educational Fund (SCEF) and CARL BRADEN. [redacted] stated that (u)

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the Southern Regional Council (SRC) does not want to work with SCEF and does not want to even be in attendance at Civil Rights Conferences with them. ~~T-4~~ said that there was a general feeling among many civil rights organizations regarding the possibility of Communist infiltration in the leadership of SCEF. Another reason for the reluctance to work with SCEF was that BRADEN's methods of operation in the civil rights field does their cause more harm than good. ~~T-4~~ said that when any mention is made to SCLC leadership by SRC regarding their feelings in this matter, KING will not listen or change his mind about working with SCEF. WALKER reportedly becomes abusive in his criticism of SRC for this attitude.

~~T-4~~ also stated that KING has recently given talks in New York City at meetings sponsored by SCEF, and because of his presence, caused a great deal of money to be donated to that organization. ~~T-4~~ said KING was a hero in the North and because of this is a most potent force in the civil rights field. However, KING is not so highly regarded by even some of his own people in the South and some Negro leaders in the civil rights field despise KING.

~~T-4~~ also reported that other civil rights organizations are quite concerned about SCLC, not only because of their apparent closeness to SCEF, but also because they continue to keep HUNTER PITTS O'DELL as their fund raiser in New York City, especially after the recent publicity regarding O'DELL's Communist affiliations.

The characterization of SCEF is included in the Appendix of this report.

#### CARL BRADEN

Mrs. ALBERTA AHEARN, 2311 Payne Street, Louisville, Kentucky, a self-admitted former member of the CP, Louisville, in testifying on December 11 and 13, 1954, in Jefferson County, Kentucky, Criminal Court, in a state sedition prosecution against CARL BRADEN, identified CARL BRADEN and his wife, ANNE BRADEN, as having been known to her as members of the CP Louisville, from January, 1951, to shortly prior to the time of her testimony.

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The Courier-Journal, Louisville, Kentucky, a newspaper of general circulation, on February 3, 1959, reported that CARL BRADEN had been sentenced to one year in prison on a charge of contempt of Congress on February 2, 1959, in Atlanta, Georgia. The story noted that he had been convicted under this charge on January 21, 1959, and that the charge arose from his refusal to answer questions before the House Committee on Un-American Activities (HCUA).

The Louisville Times, Louisville, Kentucky, a newspaper of general circulation, on February 27, 1961, reported that the United States Supreme Court had, on that date, affirmed the contempt of Congress conviction of BRADEN.

The Courier-Journal, on May 2, 1961, reported that CARL BRADEN had surrendered to the United States Marshal at Atlanta, Georgia, on May 1, 1961, to begin serving a one-year prison sentence for contempt of Congress.

The Courier-Journal, on February 2, 1962, reported that CARL BRADEN had been released from the Federal Prison Camp at Allenwood, Pennsylvania, on February 1, 1962. BRADEN indicated that he would return to his home, Louisville, Kentucky.

The December, 1961, issue of the Southern Patriot which, according to its masthead, is published by the SCEF, identifies CARL BRADEN and his wife, ANNE BRADEN, as field secretaries and editors. The address of the editorial offices of this publication is given as 4403 Virginia Avenue, Louisville 11, Kentucky, which is the home address of the BRADENS.

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STANLEY LEVISON

[AT T-1 advised during early June, 1963, that STANLEY LEVISON was a "secret" member of the CP USA (S) RU] (u)

[AT T-5 was contacted on November 16, 1962, and December 27, 1962, and advised that he had not received any information concerning the possible formation of a chapter of SCLC at New Orleans, Louisiana. [T-5] had previously reported the possibility of this being done by SARGEANT CAULFIELD, who was described by [T-5] as a member of the CP from Lettsworth, Louisiana. (X) (u)] (u)

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## APPENDIX

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"The Southern Patriot," a monthly publication, shows that it is published by the Southern Conference Educational Fund, Inc. (SCEF).

"The Southern Patriot" was cited as an "organ" of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare (SCHW) by the Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 592, on the SCHW, June 12, 1947.

The SCHW was cited as a communist front by the Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 592, June 16, 1947.

An amendment to the charter of the SCHW changed the name of that organization to the SCEF, and listed its purpose as being to improve the educational and cultural standards of the Southern people in accordance with the highest American democratic institutions, traditions, and ideals. The amendment was dated April 26, 1947.

A source, who is familiar with some phases of Communist Party (CP) activity in the New Orleans area, advised on May 25, 1962, that during the time the SCHW was in existence, CP members were members of and worked actively in the SCHW. However, since the formation of the SCEF, rank and file CP members have not been encouraged to work in the SCEF. The source stated that the SCEF is a progressive, liberal organization, which he considers a CP front organization because it has gone along with the Communist Party on certain issues, particularly on the racial question, and through the years, certain CP members in the New Orleans area have been assigned to work in the organization to further CP principles.

On May 25, 1962, the source advised that in the past he has considered JAMES DOMBROWSKI, the Executive Director of the SCEF, to be a communist, if not an actual Communist Party member, because he followed communist principles.

The source also advised on May 25, 1962, that many people who are officials and members of the SCEF, while liberal in their views, are by no means communists.

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Another source advised on March 2, 1961, that  
OSMADE LIGHTFOOT, a Communist Party functionary, stated at  
a meeting of the Communist Party in Baltimore, Maryland,  
on February 25, 1961, that the Communist Party is not con-  
nected with any progressive movement but indirectly they  
do have some influence in the SCEF. (S)

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THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN  
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Reference Report of Special Agent [redacted]  
[redacted] dated and captioned  
as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose  
identities are concealed in referenced communication have  
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ON 6-11-85

Re Atlanta letter to Bureau 6/3/63.

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Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are the original and two copies of a characterization of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, which is being submitted for Bureau approval under captioned program. One copy of this characterization is being designated for Bureau file 100-438794.

The confidential source utilized in the characterization is NY 694-S\*, who has furnished reliable information in the past.

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Reg. [redacted] SCLC

A news item in the Pittsburgh Courier newspaper, dated August 17, 1957, on Page 2, entitled "New Rights Group Launches in Dixie", reported that the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) was officially launched at Montgomery, Alabama, at a mass meeting attended by over 2,000 persons. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., was named as president. The article stated that registration lists compiled at this mass meeting showed persons from twelve states and the District of Columbia came in answer to the call of SCLC, which had been formed the year before in New Orleans. The purpose of the conference, according to the news item, is to organize a Southwide register-and-vote campaign among Negroes.

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On June 14, 1962, records of the Secretary of State, State Capitol Building, Atlanta, Georgia, disclosed the following:

SCLC was incorporated on June 5, 1958, by order of a Superior Court judge, Atlanta Judicial District. It was indicated that the organization was incorporated as non-profit. Records showed a certified statement for annual registration dated August 23, 1961, which showed the SCLC president to be Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., 208 Auburn Avenue, N.E., Atlanta. This statement described the nature of SCLC business as civic, religious, economical and cultural.

An undated folder captioned, "This is SCLC", was published in 1962 by SCLC, and stated that SCLC is not a membership organization but is constituted by affiliate groups and organizations, such as churches, civic organizations and fraternal groups.

The folder reported that SCLC is a nonsectarian group which has the basic aim of achieving full citizenship, equality and integration of the Negro into all aspects of American life through the means of direct non-violent action.

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A confidential source stated on February 12, 1962, that Martin Luther King, Jr., has been described as a confirmed Marxist. On May 10, 1963, [redacted] (u)

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[redacted] advised that Stanley Levison, an attorney in New York City, has been acting mostly as a business manager for the New York Office of SCLC and has donated large amounts of money to King at times when his finances were especially low. [redacted] said that Levison is very close to King and gives advice to King, which advice is readily accepted. [redacted] stated that Levison is also very close to Hunter Pitts O'Dell, who was described as head of the New York Office of SCLC. (S) (u) b7D

The confidential source advised during June, 1963, that Stanley D. Levison was a "secret" member of the Communist Party, USA. Source advised that as of July, 1962, the Communist Party, USA, considered Hunter Pitts O'Dell to be a member of its National committee. (S) (u)

A news article in the Atlanta Constitution newspaper dated July 25, 1963, entitled, "Onetime Communist Organizer Heads Reverend King's Office in New York", by Bill Shipp, sets out that Jack H. O'Dell, who also is known as Hunter Pitts O'Dell, and who has been identified as a district organizer for the Communist Party, USA, is now Director of the New York Office of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

The article related that King said on October 31, 1962, that O'Dell had resigned from SCLC.

King said again on December 1, 1962, that O'Dell was no longer with SCLC, and one of King's top aids told the Atlanta Constitution on July 18, 1963, that O'Dell was no longer with SCLC.

An article in the Atlanta Constitution dated July 26, 1963, by Ted Simmons, entitled "Reverend King Denies O'Dell Link But His Office in N.Y. Differs", reported that King denied on July 25, 1963, that O'Dell was presently employed by SCLC, but King said that he could not explain why a United Press International investigation on the morning of July 25, 1963, found that O'Dell was identified by SCLC's New York Office as an "administrator" with the organization.

Current SCLC headquarters are observed to be at 332 Auburn Avenue, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia.

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On September 6, 1963, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Harry Belafonte, Negro entertainer, had advised Clarence Benjamin Jones that he wanted Jones to be his lawyer in a matter which involved how the networks have been treating colored entertainers. According to this source, Jones advised Belafonte that this would be a federal case because the networks were involved. Belafonte indicated that the case would have to be taken to the Supreme Court. Belafonte also stated that he had been taken off the air by Revlon because Revlon did not want Belafonte's company (presumably Belafonte Enterprises Incorporated, 120 West 57th Street, New York City) to be integrated. Belafonte stated that he wanted to go into this thing to win, and not just for the publicity. In referring to the networks, Belafonte stated that he wanted "to break their backs" and open things up so that every other Negro artist in the country could sue. Belafonte advised Jones that he wanted to put on a season concert in New York City for the benefit of the Gandhi Society for Human Rights. Jones also indicated to Belafonte that Martin Luther King was seriously entertaining the thought of combining the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) with the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC).

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Re: Clarence Benjamin Jones

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[This source also advised that on the same date Jones had indicated to an unidentified individual that in connection with the recent anti-segregation protest by Negroes in Danville, Virginia, the legal work <sup>being</sup> done by a team of 13 lawyers who had been operating in Danville since early June and who represented the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, SCLC, SNCC and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP). According to this source Jones had been advised that the "Danville film" was "brutal" and that Jones would be able to use the film for fund raising purposes. Jones also stated that a client of his had just purchased all of the stock footage on Birmingham and was putting it together in a full length movie. Jones also indicated that he was trying to raise fifty to sixty thousands dollars for the Gandhi Society. (S) 4

As of July 3, 1963, Clarence Jones was General Counsel for the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, 15 East 40th Street, New York City.

[A second confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past identified, on February 26, 1957, a photograph of Clarence Jones as the person whom he knew during late 1953 or <sup>early</sup> 1954, to be a member of and in a position of leadership in the Labor Youth League (LYL). (S) 4

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(S) 4 [A third confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised that on August 20, 1963, Clarence Jones was at that time counsel to Reverend Martin Luther King.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-136585)

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING  
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RACIAL MATTERS

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Enclosed herewith are 14 copies of a letterhead  
memorandum concerning information received 9/10/63, from  
NY 4092-S\*. (u)

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ON 6-11-85

- 9 - Bureau (Encl. 14) (RM)  
(1 - 100-407018) (CLARENCE JONES)  
(1 - 100-358916) (HUNTER PITTS O'DELL)  
(1 - 100-3-116) (CP, USA, COM INFLUENCE - RACIAL MATTERS)  
(1 - 157-970) (MARCH ON WASHINGTON)  
(1 - 100-392452) (STANLEY LEVISON),  
(1 - 100-438794) (SCLC)  
2 - Atlanta (100-5586) (Encl. 2) (RM)  
(1 - 100- ) (SCLC)  
1 - Washington Field (157-257) (MARCH ON WASHINGTON) (Encl. 1) (RM)  
1 - New York (100-73250) (CLARENCE JONES) (421)  
1 - New York (100-91330) (HUNTER PITTS O'DELL) (414)  
1 - New York (100-151548) (CP, USA, COM INFLUENCE-RACIAL MATTERS) 414  
1 - New York (157-905) (MARCH ON WASHINGTON) (412)  
1 - New York (100-111180) (STANLEY LEVISON) (414)  
1 - New York (100-149194) (SCLC) (412)  
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A second confidential source utilized is [redacted]

A third confidential source utilized is NY 694-S\*.

The letterhead memorandum makes reference to a conversation between MARTIN LUTHER KING and CLARENCE JONES wherein JONES makes reference to "our friend". "Our friend" is undoubtedly STANLEY LEVISON. The full text of the conversation at this point is as follows:

JONES states "Well, let me reflect upon it and I'll discuss it with our friend and get his feelings about it". KING states "He understands why I haven't called him?" JONES answers "Yes, absolutely, in fact, he would be a little upset if you did". KING then states "I'm trying to wait until things cool off ..... until this civil rights debate is over ..... as long as they may be tapping these phones you know ..... but you can discuss that with him".

The letterhead memorandum is classified "Confidential" because it contains information from NY 4092-S\*, the unauthorized disclosure of which could seriously impair the investigation of subversive matters and thereby be injurious to the national security of the U.S.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Bureau 100-106670  
New York 100-136585

New York, New York  
September 11, 1963

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Re: Martin Luther King  
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On September 10, 1963, a confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information which indicated that on that date Martin Luther King held a discussion with Clarence Jones regarding the March on Washington. One matter discussed was the making of a record album which would contain the speech made by Martin Luther King at the March on Washington. This discussion also included how the proceeds from this record would be distributed. Jones indicated that he felt that the proceeds should go to the three civil rights groups equally and that King should discuss this matter with A. Phillip Randolph (head of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters) before he entered into an agreement with RCA, because the other groups would think that King was trying to capitalize on the March for the benefit of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) or for himself. Both men agreed however, that King and the SCLC would make much more money if they had the album exclusively. They also agreed that the people would buy the album because of King's speech and therefore it would not be fair to split the money among the other organizations. It was also agreed that King would be in a difficult position in discussing this point with Randolph and that therefore Jones should discuss this matter with Randolph.

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Martin Luther King

As of July 3, 1963, Clarence Jones was the General Counsel for the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, 15 East 40th Street, New York City.

A second confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised that on February 26, 1957, he identified a photo of Clarence Jones as the person whom he knew during late 1953 or early 1954 to be a member of and in a position of leadership in the Labor Youth League (LYL). (C)4

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Martin Luther King

(X)(u)  
[This source] further stated that Jones and King also discussed the replacement of Jack (presumably Hunter Pitts O'Dell, previously employed as an administrator in the New York Office of the SCLC) and that in this conversation the name of Bayard Rustin (Deputy Director - March on Washington) was brought up by King. King wondered whether it would be possible for Rustin to come back into the civil rights movement inasmuch as he had now received good press publicity as a result of the March on Washington. According to this source, these two (u) individuals, in referring to Rustin, discussed the reasons why "we had to let him go". King indicated that during the sit-in movement "they" started getting problems regarding Rustin's homosexual problem. Jones inquired whether King was making reference to actual complaints from students and King answered "from students" and indicated that Rustin "loses control" when he drinks. King further stated that "..... I think he controls himself pretty well until he gets to drinking and he would approach these students and they started talking with people about it and there was something of a reflection on me so that was really the main problem ..... I just don't know ..... maybe you ought to talk with our friend about it because he knows the problem very well .....". Jones indicated that he would discuss the matter with "our friend" and get his feelings about it. King further inquired as to whether "our friend" understood why he, King, had not called him and Jones answered "Yes, absolutely". King further stated that "I'm trying to wait until things cool off ..... until this civil rights debate is over ..... you can discuss that with him".

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[This same source] also advised that a short time later Jones held a discussion with Stanley Levison in which he stated that the question had been put to him regarding Rustin as to whether Rustin could take a position like heading up the New York Office (presumably of the SCLC) without causing undue harm to the organization, from the standpoint of the charges which have been labeled against him. Jones advised Levison that the person who had raised this question with him had stated that Levison was aware of this problem regarding the complaints emanating from instances when Rustin perhaps drank too much. Levison answered "Yes - that was some years ago". Jones indicated that this matter arose out of a question regarding the supervision and

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Martin Luther King

disposition of the New York Office (presumably the New York Office of the SCLC). Levison then stated that the matter required some thought, commenting that Rustin acts impulsively when leading the organization. Jones further stated that he had been thinking of others for the job and mentioned the name Ted Brown. Levison stated that he did not like that idea.

During July, 1962, a third confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that as of July, 1962, Hunter Pitts O'Dell was considered by the Communist Party, USA, to be a member of its National Committee. (S) (u)

X On July 16, 1963, this same third confidential source advised that Stanley Levison was at that time a secret member of the Communist Party, USA. (S) (u)

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Director, FBI (100-438794)

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COMMUNIST INFILTRATION  
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INTERNAL SECURITY - C

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DATE 9/11/83  
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Burlot 8/29/63 captioned "Subversive Organization  
Characterizations, IS-C," requesting Bureau approval of a  
thumbnail sketch of the Southern Christian Leadership  
Conference (SCLC).

In view of the fact that the SCLC is the subject  
of a communist infiltration type investigation and not the  
subject of a front organization type investigation your  
suggested thumbnail sketch is not being approved. The Bureau  
has carefully considered your request and sees no reason  
to make exception to the past procedure of not utilizing  
approved thumbnail sketch characterizations in communist  
infiltration cases unless there is some unusual circumstances  
that make such action necessary.

In view of the widespread publicity presently being  
enjoyed by the SCLC, the Bureau is being very careful in  
disseminating information concerning the communist infiltration  
of this organization and, because of the sources involved any  
dissemination is being classified "Secret." In the event you  
receive inquiries from other offices requesting identifying  
data concerning the SCLC and its officers, you should advise  
these offices to be most circumspect in disseminating such  
information, and if there is any question concerning this  
matter the Bureau should be consulted prior to dissemination.

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The thumbnail sketch on the SCLC submitted by the  
Atlanta Office is not being approved inasmuch as this is a  
communist infiltration type investigation. Thumbnail sketches  
are usually only prepared on "front organizations." The words  
of caution are being sent out inasmuch as the SCLC is headed by  
Dr. Martin Luther King, who has been described as a confirmed  
Marxist by NY 694-3\*. This source has also described a close  
associate of King's as a "secret" member of the Communist Party.  
This information when reported by Atlanta was classified "Secret"  
and disseminated only to Assistant Attorney General Yeagley. (S)

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SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA; NEGRO QUESTION.  
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS  
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NY 100-151548

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NATIONAL CONVENTION, SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN  
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)  
RICHMOND, VIRGINIA, 9/23-27/63  
RACIAL MATTERS  
Bufile 157-6-41  
NY 157-947

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Re Richmond airtel to Bureau, 9/10/63, captioned,  
"RACIAL SITUATION, RICHMOND, VIRGINIA, RACIAL MATTERS"; Bureau  
airtel to Richmond, 9/12/63, captioned as set forth in the  
second caption above.

- 4- Bureau (100-3-116) (Encls. 10) (RM)  
(1-157-6-41)
- 2- Richmond (157-142) (Encls. 2) (RM)
- 2- Atlanta (100-5718) (Encls. 2) (RM)
- 2- Los Angeles (Encls. 2) (Info) (RM)
- 1- New York (100-11118) (STAN LEVISON) (414)
- 1- New York (100-136585) (MARTIN L. KING) (412)
- 1- New York (100-73250) (CLARENCE JONES) (414)
- 1- New York (100-140105) (THOMAS KILGORE) (424)
- 1- New York (100-149194) (41)
- 1- New York (157-947) (NATIONAL CONVENTION SCLC) (412)
- 1- New York (100-151548) (412)

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Enclosed for Bureau are ten copies of letterhead memorandum setting forth information concerning the above convention of the SCLC. The sources utilized in the attached letterhead memorandum in the order of their appearance are the following: (S) u

X NY 4092-S\*

NY 4099-S\*

NY 3580-S\*

NY 694-S\* (S) u

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No information pertaining to the National Convention of the SCLC has been received from security informants who regularly furnished information in Communist matters to the NYO. These informants were contacted negatively in September and October, 1963, and are set forth below: (S) u

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Attached letterhead memorandum has been classified Secret to protect identity of NY 4092-S\*, NY 4099-S\* and NY 3580-S\*, who are sensitive confidential sources of the NYO. Unauthorized disclosure of information furnished by these sources would impair their future effectiveness and such impairment would have an adverse effect upon the national defense interest. (S) u

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Information copies are designated for Los Angeles in view of information pertaining to Reverend THOMAS KILGORE, who allegedly was going to Los Angeles. Reverend THOMAS KILGORE, Jr. is subject of dead NYO file 100-140105, which, while it reflects no CP membership on the part of Reverend KILGORE, does reflect his interest in behalf of the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell. NYO is in receipt of no information from any other source than NY 3580-S\* to the effect that Reverend KILGORE was going to Los Angeles. NYO will advise Los Angeles if and when additional information in this respect is received. (S) ✓

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Richmond, Virginia

September 23 - 27, 1963

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A confidential source advised on September 24, 1963, that Martin Luther King would be in Richmond, Virginia, on the evening of September 24, 1963, to attend the SCLC convention. This source further advised that Al Duckett would also attend the SCLC convention on September 24, 1963. (u)

This source advised on September 26, 1963, that Clarence Jones was leaving New York for Richmond, Virginia, on September 27, 1963, and would return to New York on September 28, 1963. This source further advised on September 27, 1963, that Clarence Jones was in Richmond, Virginia, as of that date. (u)

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Richmond, Virginia  
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Racial Matters

As of September 15, 1963, Clarence Jones was general counsel for the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, 15 East 40th Street, New York City.

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The LYL has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

[X] A third confidential source advised on September 3, 1963, that Al Duckett (not further identified) was working on a manuscript for Martin Luther King's new book.

[X] The third confidential source further advised on September 26, 1963, that on that date Martin Luther King discussed with Clarence Jones press coverage of the SCLC Convention, which was then taking place in Richmond, Virginia. Martin Luther King advised that he had had a press conference upon arrival in Richmond. Jones asked Martin Luther King

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if the convention had discussed Birmingham and the non-violent movement. Martin Luther King stated that Jim Lawson (not further identified) led the session on non-violence at the SCLC Convention and this session was characterized by Martin Luther King as excellent.

(u) ~~(S)~~ A fourth confidential source advised on September 30, 1963, that Stanley Levison informed Roy Bennett that at the SCLC Convention they raised the question of what was going to happen to the New York Office of the SCLC now that Tom Kilgore was going to Los Angeles. This source could furnish no additional pertinent information concerning this particular matter. ~~(S)~~

A fifth confidential source advised in February, 1962, that Stan Levison and Roy Bennett were secret members of the Communist Party (CP), USA and contributed to the CPUSA on a regular basis as of February, 1962. ~~(S)~~ Roy Bennett is the twin brother of Stan Levison. ~~(S)~~

(u) ~~(S)~~ A sixth confidential source advised on June 26, 1963, that

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Richmond, Virginia  
September 23-27, 1963  
Racial Matters

[redacted] information is not to  
be made public without the issuance of  
a subpoena duces tecum. The person to be  
subpoenaed is [redacted]

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A seventh confidential source advised on  
April 12, 1960, that Reverend Thomas Kilgore  
on April 6, 1960, attended a board meeting of  
the New York Committee to Secure Justice for  
Morton Sobell, which is characterized subse-  
quently in this communication. (S)(u)

All confidential sources referred to above  
have furnished reliable information in the past.

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9/12/63

Airtel

To: SAC, Richmond  
From: Director, FBI

NATIONAL CONVENTION,  
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RICHMOND, VIRGINIA  
9/23-27/63  
RACIAL MATTERS

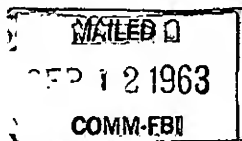
Re Richmond airtel to Bureau 9/10/63 captioned  
"Racial Situation, Richmond, Virginia, Racial Matters."

Richmond, Atlanta and New York should conduct no  
open investigation regarding captioned convention. However,  
coverage should be afforded through established sources and  
informants.

Bureau should be kept advised of all developments  
and any pertinent information.

2 - Atlanta  
2 - New York

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NOTE: SEE MEMO ROSEN TO BELMONT, SAME CAPEION, PJM:nkr 9/12/63.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

## Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont *also*

DATE: September 12, 1963

FROM : A. Rosen *Rosen*

SUBJECT: NATIONAL CONVENTION,  
 SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN  
 LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)  
 RICHMOND, VIRGINIA  
 9/23-27/63  
 RACIAL MATTERS

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Our Richmond Office has learned that on 9/9/63, the National Convention of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) has been scheduled to be held in Richmond, Virginia, on 9/23-27/63.

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 The Mosque, a civic auditorium, has been reserved by the convention for a meeting on the night of 9/27/63 at which Marlon Brando and other movie stars are scheduled to appear. The John Marshall Hotel, Richmond, has been reserved for persons attending the convention although most of the meetings are scheduled to be held in the Belgium Building at the Virginia Union University in Richmond.

The "Richmond Times Dispatch," a daily newspaper, Richmond, Virginia, also reported that Reverend Martin Luther King announced the SCLC National Convention to be held in Richmond. According to the article, Dick Gregory, a Negro comedian, and State Senator Leroy R. Johnson of Georgia will be the principal speakers at the National Convention banquet program to be held on 9/24/63. Gregory will be presented the SCLC's annual "merit award" for his participations in the civil rights movement. *t*

The article further related that U. S. Senators Jacob J. Avits of New York and Paul Douglas of Illinois have accepted invitations to speak at a meeting 9/25/63. *va*

## ACTION:

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 The Richmond and Atlanta Offices are being instructed to afford coverage to this convention through established sources. Richmond has requested Atlanta and New York to advise the identity of any controversial figures including Communist Party members who may attend the convention. The Civil Rights Division of the Department is being advised.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC RICHMOND

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CONFERENCE PAREN SCLS PAREN, RICHMOND, VA., SEPT. TWENTYTHIRD  
TWENTYSEVENTH, SIXTYTHREE. RM.

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RACIAL SITUATION, RICHMOND, VA. RM QUOTE (u)

[REDACTED] PAREN CONCEAL IDENTITY, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PAREN, ADVISED TODAY THAT SCLC REPORTEDLY WILL

HAVE THEIR NATIONAL CONVENTION IN RICHMOND AS SCHEDULED SEPT.  
TWENTYTHIRD-TWENTYSEVENTH, SIXTYTHREE. HE ESTIMATES ATTENDANCE  
OF FOUR HUNDRED PERSONS, INCLUDING ABOUT ONE HUNDRED DELEGATES.  
OFFICERS OF THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE WILL ATTEND

INCLUDING MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., WYATT T. WALKER, HARRY G.

BOYTE, RALPH ABERNATHY, AND FRED SHUTTLESWORTH. NO DEMONSTRATIONS  
ARE PLANNED BY THE CONVENTION.. ANY DEMONSTRATION IN

RICHMOND WOULD BE BY LOCAL CIVIL RIGHTS GROUPS, BUT [REDACTED]

KNOWS OF NO SUCH PLANS. P. INACTIVE. (u)

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SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN  
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)  
RICHMOND, VIRGINIA  
9/23-27/63  
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Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of a letterhead memorandum concerning the captioned matter. Also, copies are designated for Atlanta, inasmuch as SCLC Headquarters is in Atlanta and copies designated for New York, in view of their interest in the captioned matter.

The source mentioned in the letterhead memorandum is [redacted] source who requested identity be concealed.

A copy of the letterhead memorandum is being furnished locally to Intelligence Corps Group, U.S. Army, Richmond, Va.

Bureau will be kept advised of additional developments and pertinent information.

- ③ - Bureau (Encls. 8) **ENCLOSURE**  
2 - Atlanta (Encls. 2)  
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3 - Richmond (1-[redacted])  
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Richmond, Virginia  
September 20, 1963

RE: NATIONAL CONVENTION,  
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN  
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)  
RICHMOND, VIRGINIA  
SEPTEMBER 23 - 27, 1963

On September 19, 1963, a source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that the 7th Annual Convention of the SCLC will be held in Richmond, Virginia, with most of the sessions and activity being held at the Virginia Union University. The convention will open on Tuesday evening, September 24, 1963, with a "Freedom Banquet" at the John Marshall Hotel in Richmond, and will continue daily with day and evening sessions of the convention held at the Belgium Building on the Virginia Union University campus. There will also be morning workshops and clinics to be held daily at the First African Church in Richmond. The theme of the convention will be "Freedom Now" and proceeds received from the "Freedom Banquet" will go to the "Freedom Now Fund". The Virginia State Unit of SCLC is the host to the convention and Dr. Thomas H. Henderson, President of Virginia Union University is Honorary Chairman of the convention. More than 500 guests from the 75 affiliate units of SCLC across the United States are expected to attend. JA.

A planning session for the convention was held in Richmond, Virginia on September 7, 1963, at the Headquarters of the Virginia Teachers Association, a Negro teachers association in Virginia, at which Dr. Martin Luther King and Reverend W. Tee Walker, officials of SCLC, were in attendance. Original plans were for holding a mass meeting at the Mosque, a civic auditorium in Richmond, Virginia, on the night of September 27, 1963, however, these plans were abandoned, as it was feared that the group would not be able to fill the Mosque and it was decided to hold this meeting also at the Virginia Union University campus.

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CONFERENCE (SCLC), RICHMOND  
VIRGINIA, SEPTEMBER 23 - 27, 1963

According to the source, the following schedule of activities has been planned for the convention:

The opening banquet at Hotel John Marshall, will have Dr. Rupert ~~Picott~~, Richmond, Virginia and Executive Secretary of the Virginia Teachers Association as Chairman. The speaker will be State Senator Leroy ~~Johnson~~ of Georgia and comedian Dick Gregory will be awarded the SCLC's 1963 "Merit Award", for his participation in civil rights demonstrations. VA

VA On Wednesday, September 25, 1963, the convention sessions move to the Belgium Building on the Virginia Union University campus and Reverend ~~W.~~ Tee Walker, Executive Assistant to Dr. King, will be principal speaker at the meeting, beginning at 12:30 PM. In the evening session at 8:00 PM, United State Senators Paul ~~Douglas~~ of Illinois and Jacob ~~Javits~~ of New York, will address the convention. VA

On Thursday, September 26, 1963, Dr. Samuel D. ~~Proctor~~, President of A&T College, Greensboro, North Carolina, and formerly an official with Peace Corps will address the convention at its luncheon meeting and Roy ~~Wilkins~~, Executive Secretary for National Association for the Advancement of the Colored People (NAACP) and Reverend Fred ~~Shuttlesworth~~, President, Birmingham Christian Improvement Association and National Vice President of SCLC, will address the evening session of the convention. VA  
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VA On Friday, September 27, 1963, Reverend Thomas G. ~~Kilgore~~ of New York City will address the convention at its luncheon and the concluding "Freedom Rally" will be held on the Virginia Union campus at 8:00 PM, with Dr. Martin Luther King and Reverend Ralph D. ~~Abernathy~~, Secretary-Treasurer of SCLC as the principal speakers.

The source advised that during the convention, theatrical and musical artists are scheduled to appear, however, their identities are not known at this time.

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SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP  
CONFERENCE, (SCLC), RICHMOND,  
VIRGINIA, SEPTEMBER 23 - 27, 1963

On September 19, 1963, Major [REDACTED] Richmond Police Department, Richmond, Virginia, advised that his department is aware of the above and they are closely following the activities of SCLC while the convention is being held in Richmond, Virginia, to insure that there would be no disturbances or interferences with their activities. He advised that his department was not anticipating any incidents in connection with the above convention.

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A characterization of SCLC appears in the Appendix attached hereto.

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)

The November 19, 1960 issue of "The Richmond Times-Dispatch" reported that approximately sixty Negro church, professional and lay leaders throughout Virginia met on November 18, 1960 in Petersburg, Virginia and organized the Virginia Christian Leadership Conference (VCLC) for the purpose of "bringing about civil rights for all".

It was pointed out that VCLC is an affiliate of the SCLC of Atlanta, Georgia.

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- Mr. Tele. Room
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- Miss Gandy

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TO DIRECTOR FBI /157-6-41/

FROM SAC RICHMOND /157-630/ 2P

NATIONAL CONVENTION, SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP

CONFERENCE, /SCLC/, RICHMOND, VA., NINE TWENTY FOUR - TWENTY SEVEN, SIXTYTHREE. RACIAL MATTERS.

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MAJOR [REDACTED] RICHMOND, VA. PD, ADVISED ON NINE TWENTY SIX, SIXTY THREE, THAT THE THIRD DAY OF CAPTIONED CONVENTION IN RICHMOND CONTINUED ON NINE TWENTY SIX, SIXTY THREE AS SCHEDULED, WITHOUT INCIDENT.

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PRESS REPORTED SCLC OFFICIALS CONTINUED TODAY TO PONDER A TECHNIQUE THAT WOULD, THEY FEEL, COMPLETELY IMMOBILIZE A CIVIL RIGHTS "TARGET" CITY. FURTHER, OFFICIALS OF SCLC WERE REPORTED BY PRESS AS STATING DIRECTORS OF THE ORGANIZATION WERE DIVIDED OVER A LIST OF "PRIORITY" TARGETS AND ALSO OVER THE MEANS TO BE USED TO ATTACK RACIAL BARRIERS IN THE COMMUNITIES INVOLVED.

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MAJOR [REDACTED] ADVISED APPROXIMATELY ONE HUNDRED TWENTY FIVE MEMBERS OF YOUTH CHAPTER, NAACP, AT VIRGINIA UNION UNIVERSITY ASSEMBLED ON CAMPUS DURING EVENING AND MARCHED IN A GROUP TO THE BELGIAN BUILDING, VIRGINIA UNION UNIVERSITY, SINGING ENROUTE, AT EIGHT TWENTY P. M., TO ATTEND A PUBLIC MEETING OF CONVENTION WHICH OPENED AT EIGHT P. M. THIS GROUP WORE SIGNS STATING "HI ROY, VIRGINIA UNION NAACP". ROY WILKINS, NATIONAL EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, NAACP, FROM NEW YORK, DELIVERED PRINCIPAL ADDRESS AT THIS MEETING, WHICH WAS ATTENDED BY APPROXIMATELY NINE HUNDRED PERSONS.

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CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)  
RICHMOND, VIRGINIA  
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Re Richmond teletype 9/25/63.

Enclosed are 8 copies of a letterhead memorandum  
re activities at the captioned convention on 9/25/63.

Also enclosed for each office is copy of letter-  
head memorandum for their information.

A copy of above letterhead memo is being furnished  
locally to ICG, U. S. Army, Richmond, Va.

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Richmond, Virginia  
September 26, 1963

*ATTENDED*

Re: National Convention, Southern  
Christian Leadership Conference  
(SCLC), Richmond, Virginia  
September 24-27, 1963

Major [redacted] Richmond, Virginia Police  
Department, on September 25, 1963, advised the seventh  
annual convention of SCLC continued on September 25, 1963  
as scheduled without incident, and there were no demonstra-  
tions. He reported the delegates attended the workshop and  
daytime sessions at the First African Baptist Church in  
Richmond. He advised the program of activity for September  
25, 1963 scheduled the following:

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*OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION*  
President Martin Luther King, Jr. was to give his  
annual report, and reports from SCLC affiliates were to be  
given by the following:

- VP*
- 1) Clarksdale, Mississippi, by AARON HENRY
  - 2) Gadsden, Alabama, by JOSEPH FAULKNER
  - 3) Nashville, Tennessee, by ANDREW WHITE
  - 4) Macon, Georgia, by WILLIAM RANDALL
  - 5) Savannah, Georgia, by BEN VAN CLARK
  - 6) Danville, Virginia, by L. G. CAMPBELL

Following the reports, a keynote address was to  
be given by Reverend Wyatt T. Walker, Executive Assistant to  
Reverend King.

The afternoon session was to be devoted to panel  
discussion and workshops on the topic of "power of non-viol-  
ence" and JAMES M. LAWSON, Special Projects Director, SCLC,  
was to be the moderator and the leaders were to be C. T.  
Vivian, Director of Affiliates, SCLC, Atlanta, Georgia;  
James Bevel, Field Secretary, SCLC, Atlanta, Georgia;

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Richmond, Virginia, 9/24, 27/63

Bayard Rustin, Deputy Director, March on Washington, from  
New York City.

The program called for a public meeting to be held at the Belgium Building, Virginia Union University, at 8 pm to hear addresses by Senator Paul H. Douglas of Illinois and Senator Jacob Javits of New York.

The Richmond News Leader, a daily newspaper, Richmond, Virginia, on September 25, 1963, in reporting on the SCLC convention, stated that Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., in his annual report, characterized the Birmingham church bombing as the "turning point in the civil rights movement, which is becoming a third American revolution."

This article further reported that Reverend Wyatt T. Walker, Executive Assistant to Reverend King, in his key-note address, stated the recent church bombing in Birmingham and other violence there apparently have not convinced state and federal authorities that there is an "atmosphere of urgency" in the civil rights movement." Further, he was reported as stating the federal government is providing "ambulance service" alone in areas where it should be taking preventive measures. He declared further "the basic approach of the non-violent revolution will not change. It will be marked by its frequency and intensity. It is already evident that the South will not be the chief locus of activity. The entire nation will feel the brunt of the non-violent force's demands. In the South, most of the activity will be focused on schools and public accommodations; in the North, it will be on employment and housing."

The Richmond Times Dispatch, a daily newspaper, Richmond, Virginia, on September 26, 1963, in reporting on the SCLC convention, reported that Reverend Wyatt T. Walker, in his address, stated that Negroes may soon be compelled to stage massive acts of civil disobedience to convince the nation of their impatience with all forms of racial discrimination. The article continued that Reverend Walker envisioned a shut-down of airports, train and bus stations, the traffic of large cities and all interstate commerce

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Richmond, Virginia

"by the bodies of witnesses non-violently insisting on freedom now." The article continued that Reverend Walker stated a more immediate solution "could well be the implementation of a national program of economic withdrawal during the coming Christmas season." He declared a massive refusal to buy on the part of the Negro community and others of good will "would throw the business world into shock and maybe then, and only then, will we gain the support of the nation's financial leaders to exert some initiative in eliminating the evils of segregation and discrimination."

The article reported that more than 200 SCLC delegates at the First African Baptist Church burst into song at the end of Reverend Walker's address.

This article further reported that Bayard Rustin, Deputy Director of the freedom march on Washington, and a participant in a panel discussion, told the delegates that SCLC's strategy should be to utilize every brutality as a means of encouraging allies to join the civil rights movement.

Major [ ] advised that there were approximately 600 present at the evening session of the convention held at the Belgium Building, Virginia Union University, to hear addresses by U. S. Senators Jacob Javits and Paul H. Douglas.

[ ] 109th Intelligence Corps Group, U. S. Army, Richmond, Virginia, was advised of the above at 8:16 am on September 26, 1963.

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One copy of letterhead memorandum being furnished locally to ICG, USA, Richmond.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Richmond, Virginia  
September 28, 1963

RE: NATIONAL CONVENTION,  
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP  
CONFERENCE (SCLC), RICHMOND,  
VIRGINIA, SEPTEMBER 24 - 27, 1963

Major [redacted] Richmond Police Department, Richmond, Virginia, advised on September 27, 1963, that the seventh annual convention of SCLC concluded its final day in Richmond on September 27, 1963, with activities as scheduled and without incident. He advised the sessions of the convention were again held at the First African Baptist Church and the concluding public mass meeting was held at the Belgian Building located on the campus of Virginia Union University. This meeting, according to Major [redacted], began at 7:30 PM, with the "freedom sing" and ended at approximately 12:15 AM and there were between 2,200 and 2,500 in attendance. Addresses were given by Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., President, SCLC and Representative Adam Clayton Powell of New York.

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Major [redacted] advised that between 1:30 PM and 2:05 PM on September 27, 1963, Robert A. Lloyd, III, a member of the American Nazi Party (ANP), Arlington, Virginia, who was dressed in civilian clothes, distributed 125 copies of "The Rockwell Report - Is Martin Luther King a Communist?", in front of the John Marshall Hotel in Richmond, where Reverend King and many officials and delegates of SCLC were staying during the convention. He advised that there was no incident in connection with Lloyd's distributing this brochure. Further, he reported Lloyd was observed alone attending the public mass meeting held at the Belgian Building from 7:45 PM to 8:30 PM, when he quietly departed and without incident.

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RE: NATIONAL CONVENTION,  
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Major [ ] advised following this meeting on the night of September 27, 1963, Reverend King and members of the SCLC staff returned to the John Marshall Hotel and they were believed to be departing Richmond on September 28, 1963. b6  
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The Richmond News Leader, a daily newspaper, Richmond, Virginia on September 27, 1963, reported that the SCLC was requested by the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee, (SNCC) in a proposal submitted by Mrs. Diane Nash Bevel, Field Secretary of SNCC and wife of a SCLC official, who participates in a National Civil Disobedience Campaign, that would include the creation of a "non-violent Army". The proposal recommended refusal to pay state and local taxes; a general work stoppage and the interruption of communications with Montgomery, Alabama by mass sit-ins on highways and railroad tracks. Also, called for tying up telephone lines. According to the newspaper, the SCLC refused to endorse the proposal, because the approach was too drastic and was believed to run counter to the principle of non-violence.

This newspaper further reported that the SCLC convention passed a resolution on September 27, 1963, stating the administration's Civil Rights bill should be amended to provide that all voting cases be tried by judges appointed by Federal Chief Circuit Judges. Also, the resolution called for putting all civil rights cases, both civil and criminal, in Federal courts. Further, that a census should be taken to reduce the representation in Congress of those states which limit the right to vote. Also, the resolution called for broadened public opportunities and attacked "lawless officials" who promote from position of public responsibility practices of segregation.

The Richmond Times Dispatch, a daily newspaper, Richmond, Virginia on September 28, 1963, reported that Dr. Martin Luther King, in his address at Virginia Union University on September 27, 1963, called on the Federal Government to use all its resources to find the perpetrators of the bombing of the 16th Baptist Church in Birmingham and blamed the system of segregation as being responsible for the deaths of the six Birmingham youths. The newspaper reported Dr. King, in a news conference, preceding the address, as stating he would call for a resumption of demonstra-

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tions in Birmingham, Alabama, "unless white leaders there satisfy Negro civil rights grievances within the next few days". Further, the newspaper reported Dr. King expressed disappointment, but no particular concern that Roy Wilkins, Executive Secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of the Colored People (NAACP) has been cool to Dr. King's proposal for a nationwide withdrawal from Christmas shopping as a memorial to six children killed in the Birmingham violence. The newspaper quoted Dr. King as stating "we would come to a tragic moment if there could be no healthy, honest disagreement" and he added he hoped Wilkins was expressing a personal opinion and would agree to the suggestion after examining it, "because we need a united front".

The newspaper reported Representative Adam Clayton Powell, in his address, as urging Dr. King to become the leader of a national "black revolution". The article continued that Representative Powell predicted Congress would fail to enact civil rights legislation this year and declared Dr. King's leadership is necessary to bring "the 90% of the black masses" who are not in any national organization into the fight for Negro equality". Further, Powell was reported as urging Dr. King to expand his organization into the north and stated if this were done, he would offer Dr. King the co-pastor of the Abyssinian Baptist Church in New York, which Powell heads.

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The newspaper further reported Powell as stating there are only three organizations which truly represent the Negro masses, namely, SCLC, SNCC and the Negro American Labor Council.

109th Intelligence Corps Group, U.S. Army, Richmond, Virginia, was advised of the above at 9:25 PM, September 28, 1963.

Attached hereto are characterizations of SCLC and ANP.

## APPENDIX

AMERICAN NAZI PARTY, Also  
Known As World Union of Free  
Enterprise National Socialists,  
George Lincoln Rockwell Party

A source advised on February 27, 1959 that George Lincoln Rockwell of Arlington, Virginia had held an organizational meeting of the World Union of Free Enterprise National Socialists (WUFENS) at his residence on February 26, 1959.

Six persons were present and they, according to the source, comprised the beginning of an officer corps of the organization. Rockwell told those present that WUFENS would be an international movement, but that the section of the organization in the United States would be known as the American Party of the WUFENS.

Rockwell, on March 26, 1959, furnished to Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, a copy of the program of the WUFENS, stating that he expected to become the President of the United States through the organization's platform. The main tenets of WUFENS, as reflected in the program, call for the migration of Negroes to Africa and the trial and execution of all Jews guilty of Communist and Zionist treason.

A second source advised on August 15, 1962 that the main activity of the organization in furtherance of these objectives had consisted of picketings with anti-Jewish and anti-Negro placards; talks by Rockwell attacking Jews as traitors to the United States; attempts by Rockwell to form Nazi groups in various cities in the United States; and attempts to form a group of international sympathizers. Rockwell prints large amounts of Nazi literature at American Nazi Party Headquarters, 928 North Randolph Street, Arlington, Virginia.

On June 29, 1962, the State of Virginia revoked the Charter of the American Nazi Party.

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NATIONAL CONVENTION SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE  
"SCLC" RH., VA. 9-24-27-63. RM.

RE MY TEL NINE TWENTYSIX SIXTYTHREE.

MAJ. [REDACTED] RH PD, RH, VA., ADVISED THE CAPTIONED  
CONVENTION CONCLUDED ON NIGHT OF NINE TWENTYSEVEN SIXTYTHREE AS  
SCHEDULED WITHOUT INCIDENT. b6  
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PRESS REPORTED SCLC PASSED RESOLUTION TODAY THAT THE  
ADMINISTRATION-S CIVIL RIGHTS BILL BE AMENDED TO PROVIDE THAT ALL  
VOTING CASES BE TRIED BY JUDGES APPOINTED BY FEDERAL CHIEF CIRCUIT  
JUDGES. THE RESOLUTION CALLED FOR PUTTING ALL CIVIL RIGHTS CASES,  
BOTH CIVIL AND CRIMINAL IN FEDERAL COURTS. FURTHER, A CENSUS SHOULD  
BE TAKEN TO REDUCE THE REPRESENTATION IN CONGRESS OF THOSE STATES WHICH  
LIMIT THE RIGHT TO VOTE. THE RESOLUTION CALLED FOR BROADENED JOB  
OPPORTUNITIES AND ATTACHED QUOTE LAWLESS OFFICIALS UNQUOTE, WHO PROMOTE  
FROM POSITION OF PUBLIC RESPONSIBILITY PRACTICES OF SEGREGATION. B

MAJ [REDACTED] ADVISED THE NIGHT SESSION WAS A PUBLIC MASS MEETING  
HELD AT THE BELGIAN BLDG VIRGINIA UNION UNIVERSITY WITH APPROXIMATELY  
TWENTYTWO TO TWENTYFIVE HUNDRED IN ATTENDANCE. b6  
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REV. MARTIN LUTHER KING AND REP. ADAM CLAYTON POWELL OF NEW YORK, ADDRESSED THE MEETING, POWELL PREDICTED NO CIVIL RIGHTS LEGISLATION TO BE PASSED BY CONGRESS THIS YEAR.

MEETING BROKE UP AT APPROXIMATELY TWELVE FIFTEEN AM.

REV KING AND MEMBERS OF STAFF ARE SPENDING NIGHT AT THE JOHN MARSHALL HOTEL, RICHMOND, VA., AND BELIEVED PARTING RH NINE TWENTYEIGHT INSTANT.

ADVISED, LT. ROBERT A. LLOYD, AMERICAN NAZI MEMBER IN CIVILIAN CLOTHES DISTRIBUTED ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTYFIVE COPIES OF QUOTE ROCKWELL REPORT DASH IS MARTIN LUTHER KING A COMMUNIST QUESTION MARK UNQUOTE, IN FRONT OF THE JOHN MARSHALL HOTEL BETWEEN ONE THIRTY PM AND TWO ZERO FIVE PM WITHOUT INCIDENT.

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LLOYD LATER OBSERVED ATTENDING THE NIGHT MASS MEETING<sup>G</sup> AT BELGIAN BLDG FROM SEVEN FORTYFIVE PM TO EIGHT THIRTY PM WHEN HE QUIETLY DEPARTED.

ICG, RICHMOND BEING ADVISED.

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Re Richmond teletype 9/26/63.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Richmond, Virginia  
September 27, 1963

Re: National Convention, Southern  
Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC),  
Richmond, Virginia, September 24-27,  
1963

Major [REDACTED] Richmond, Virginia Police  
Department (PD), on September 26, 1963, advised the seventh  
annual convention of SCLC continued through the third day  
on September 26, 1963 as scheduled without incident. He  
reported the delegates again attended their workshop and  
daytime sessions at the First African Baptist Church in  
Richmond. He advised the program of activity for September  
26, 1963 is scheduled as follows:

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At 10:00 am, a special paper was to be presented entitled  
"The Freedom Movement Did Not Begin Yesterday", by L. D.  
Reddick, Historian, Baltimore, Maryland. This was to be  
followed by reports from SCLC affiliates as follows:

- 1) Charleston, South Carolina, by Esau ~~Jenkins~~
- 2) Atlanta, Georgia, by Oliver W. ~~Holmes~~
- 3) Greenwood, Mississippi, by Annell ~~Ponder~~
- 4) Highpoint, North Carolina, by Robert J. ~~Brown~~
- 5) Virginia, by Milton A. ~~Reid~~
- 6) March on Washington, by Walter ~~Fauntroy~~

~~SAMUEL D. PROCTOR~~  
Following the reports, Dr. Samuel DeWitt ~~Proctor~~,  
President of A & T College, Greensboro, North Carolina,  
was to give an address.

The afternoon session was to be devoted to panel  
discussion and workshops on committee organization and  
voter-registration. Dorothy ~~Cotton~~, Director of Education, ~~ATLANTA~~

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Re: National Convention, SCLC,  
Richmond, Virginia

VA. Atlanta, Georgia, was to be the moderator, and the leaders were to be Andrew J. Young, Program Director, SCLC, Atlanta, Georgia; Hosea Williams, Chatham County Crusade for Voters, Savannah, Georgia; and Robert Moses, Student Non-Violent Co-ordinating Committee, Greenwood, Mississippi,

The program called for a public meeting to be held at the Belgian Building, Virginia Union University, at 8 pm, to hear an address by Roy Wilkins, National Executive Secretary, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), New York, New York.

The Richmond News Leader, a daily newspaper, Richmond, Virginia, on September 26, 1963, in reporting on the SCLC convention, stated that the SCLC officials continued on September 26, 1963 to ponder a technique that would, they feel, completely immobilize a civil rights "target" city. Further, the newspaper reported that officials of SCLC stated directors of the organization were divided over a list of "priority" targets and over the means to be used to attack racial barriers in the communities involved.

SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

The Richmond Times Dispatch, a daily newspaper, on September 27, 1963, in reporting on the SCLC convention, stated that Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., President, SCLC, on September 26, 1963, presented a four-point plan of attack on segregation to the convention delegates, which consisted of the following:

- 1) A "massive and direct action" in Danville, Virginia along the lines of the 1963 demonstrations in Birmingham, Alabama
- 2) A nation-wide "economic withdrawal" from Christmas shopping, in commemoration of the death of the 6 Birmingham Negro children in shootings and bombings on September 15, 1963.
- 3) An immediate "selective buying program" in the South "to force employees to eliminate segregation".
- 4) A march on the state capitol in Montgomery, Alabama on an unspecified date.

Re: National Convention, SCLC,  
Richmond, Virginia -

The article reported Dr. King as stating a special meeting has been called for next week in Atlanta, Georgia to set the dates and to organize details for the Danville demonstrations and the march on Montgomery, Alabama. Concerning the nation-wide selective shopping program, the article reported that Dr. King stated a national conference of civil rights leaders will be called in the near future for its organization. He further stated that among other things for this campaign, "we have in mind the idea of hiring an expert who would direct it."

The article reported that Dr. Samuel D. Proctor, President of A & T College in Greensboro, North Carolina, in his address to the convention, warned against unnecessary excesses in the combat for equal rights. He suggested that occasionally it is "extravagant" to demonstrate when discussions "around the conference table and on the telephone can go farther."

The newspaper article further reported Roy Wilkins, ✓ Executive-Secretary, NAACP, in a press conference, was "cool" to a Christmas boycott." The article quoted him as stating "I find it difficult to go against the idea of Santa Claus" and he added that the shopping ban would "disrupt" his organization's program, noting "we have a full schedule of activities which will be occupying our chapters until the end of the year."

The article further reported that Wilkins, in his ✓ address to the SCLC convention, urged "caution and statesmanship" in the Negroes' civil rights campaign. He was reported as stating "sometimes we must hit heavily, but at other times a light tap is just as effective to achieve the desired end." Further, he predicted that demonstrations will continue in those localities in which conditions are intolerable for the Negro. He stated the civil rights bill must be waged flexibly by demonstrations, law suits, and legislation, and added "no one of these is the sole solution."

Re: National Convention, SCLC,  
Richmond, Virginia

Major [ ] Richmond, Virginia PD, advised that approximately 125 members of the Youth Chapter, NAACP, at Virginia Union University in Richmond, assembled on the campus during the evening of September 26, 1963, and marched in a group to the Belgian Building on campus. He advised the group sang en route, and they arrived at the public meeting of the SCLC convention at 8:20 pm and attended the meeting as a group. He advised the group wore signs stating "Hi Roy, Virginia Union NAACP."

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Major [ ] advised that approximately 900 persons attended the meeting at the Belgian Building to hear Roy Wilkins' address.

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Richmond, Virginia  
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Re: National Convention, Southern  
Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC),  
Richmond, Virginia  
September 24-27, 1963

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Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., President, SCLC, at a press conference in Richmond on September 24, 1963, declared that a "task force" involving upward of 500 civil rights supporters will be sent to Danville, Virginia later this fall in an effort to break racial barriers there. Also, Reverend King stated at the SCLC conference in Richmond on September 24, 1963 that leaders will "charter a course for the future" and decide what other communities will be visited by the task force demonstrators and workers. He tentatively listed as possible targets, Williamston, North Carolina, Gadsden, Alabama, Shreveport, Louisiana, and Clarksville, Mississippi. Also, he stated a time table will be sent for a march on the Alabama capitol in protest of the policies of Governor George C. Wallace. Further, Reverend King stated leaders will map plans for a "Southwide" Selective Buying Campaign against companies that discriminate most severely against Negro employees.

Major [redacted] advised that delegates and visitors in excess of 800 attended the "freedom banquet" at the John Marshall Hotel on the night of September 24, 1963. He stated that many of the officials and delegates are staying at this hotel. He advised the banquet program listed John E. Lowery, b6 b7C

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Re: National Convention, SCLC,  
Richmond, Virginia, September 24-27, 1963

Second Vice-President, SCLC, as toast master, and J. Rupert Picott, Executive Secretary, Virginia Teachers Association, Richmond, Virginia, were to introduce Senator Leroy Johnson, Negro member of the Georgia Assembly, Atlanta, Georgia, who was to give the principal address. The program also listed Reverend King was to present comedian Dick Gregory of Chicago, Illinois, with SCLC's Annual Merit Award. JA

Major [redacted] advised the banquet meeting broke up at approximately 11:15 pm, and there were no incidents or demonstrations this date in Richmond. b6 b7C

The Richmond Times Dispatch, a daily newspaper, on September 25, 1963, reported that Senator Leroy Johnson of Atlanta, Georgia, identified as the first Negro elected to the Georgia Legislature since Reconstruction, addressed the banquet of SCLC at the John Marshall Hotel on the night of September 24, 1963. The article reported Johnson as declaring that Negroes will come to the "power structure" of the southern states and not to the politicians for a solution to their civil rights problems. Further, the article related Johnson as stating "the real guardians of the status quo are not the elected officials but the permanent businessmen who control the economy."

This article further reported that the collective buying program announced by Reverend King will resume in Birmingham on October 1, 1963. Also, it reported that a voter-registration drive will be conducted in Virginia, North and South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama and Mississippi. It was reported the SCLC's budget for 1963-1964 calls for an expenditure of \$500,000 for this program.

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# Memorandum

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For the information of the Bureau and Atlanta, enclosed herewith is a copy of a program of the Seventh Annual Convention, Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), held in Richmond, Va., 9/24-27/63, which was made available by [redacted] of the Richmond Police Department.

The program identifies the officers and staff of SCLC and in many instances includes photographs of these officers and participants at the convention.

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*Seventh  
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Martin Luther King, Jr., *President*

Sept. 24-27, 1963

Richmond, Va.

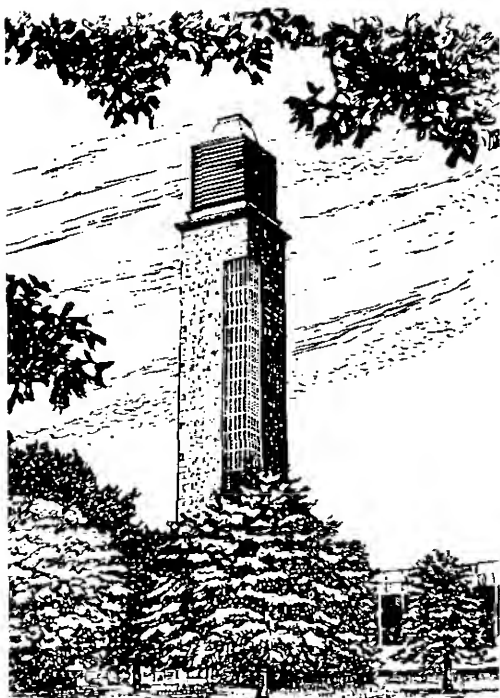
Theme: 'FREEDOM NOW'

HOST: VIRGINIA UNIT SCLC

Rev. Curtis Harris, *President*

## *Foreword . . .*

*THE SOUTHERN Christian Leadership Conference is organized as a service agency to facilitate co-ordinated action of local protest groups and to assist in their sharing of resources and experiences. The magnitude of the problem calls for the maximum commitment of resources of all institutions in Negro life, North and South. The Southern Christian Leadership Conference seeks to cooperate with all existing agencies attempting to bring full democracy to our great nation.*



*Vann Tower  
At  
Virginia Union  
University  
Convention  
Headquarters*

*Message  
from  
the  
President*



*I AM CONVINCED beyond the shadow of a doubt that the philosophy of nonviolence will redeem the soul of America. There is a great temptation to accept nonviolence solely as a strategy, a device; this we must guard against. This is one of the chief aims of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference: to broadly disseminate through intensive training the heart of nonviolence, that our commitment to nonviolence will not only be a technique, but shall become for us a way of life with love and redemption as its center. The other chief aim of SCLC is in the area of voter-registration. Here again, it must be recognized that the right and proper use of the ballot is vital in our struggle for first-class citizenship. The SCLC stands ready to serve in developing and organizing grassroots voter registration programs. One of the most significant steps that the Negro can take at this hour is that short walk to the voting booth.*

*M. L. King Jr.*

# Southern Christian Leadership Conference

334 Auburn Ave., N.E.

Atlanta, Georgia 30303

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## Welcome . . .

**T**HE SOUTHERN Christian Leadership Conference, in cooperation with the Virginia Unit, SCLC, welcomes you to our Annual Convention. It is our desire in these four days that you will have an opportunity to study more thoroughly the deeper meanings of the present social revolution in the Deep South.

*We invite you to be candid in your inquiries, that we may learn together, for the study of nonviolence is inexhaustive, and there are many answers we seek in the search for truth.*

*We have chosen this community for our convention because it provides the interest and activity in nonviolent direct action.*

*We trust that the insights and techniques developed here will be utilized in your respective communities, that in the not too distant future an end to segregation will be seen all over the South.*

**Wyatt Tee Walker**  
Executive Director



Wyatt Tee Walker

## Greetings . . .

**I**T IS OUR sincere pleasure to welcome the delegates of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference to Richmond and the adjoining areas. We of the Virginia Unit of SCLC are still struggling to be free men. Our efforts thus far to some degree have been successful due to the complete co-operation of some spirited citizens of Richmond and the adjoining areas. Our freedom one day will be a complete freedom and it shall come on the shoulders of these dedicated souls. On this day America will realize her full self-hood as intended by her founding fathers.

**Curtis Harris, President**  
Virginia Unit, SCLC

## SEVENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

**DATE:** September 24, 25, 26, and 27

**PLACE:** Richmond, Virginia

**HEADQUARTERS:** First African Baptist Church, Haynes  
and Norwood Aves. (*Day Sessions*)  
Belgian Building, VUU (*Night Sessions*)

**HOST:** Virginia Unit, SCLC  
The Rev. Curtis Harris, *President*

**COORDINATORS:** Mrs. Laurayne F. James, Richmond  
Dr. Milton A. Reid, State

**THEME:** "FREEDOM NOW!"

**REGISTRATION FEE:** \$3.00

### — TUESDAY, September 24 —

**1:00 P.M. REGISTRATION**, First African Baptist Church (continuous  
until 6:00 P.M.)  
Belgian Bldg. (After 6:00 P.M.)

**2:00 P.M. BOARD MEETING**  
(Sorry Board Members Only) Virginia Teachers Association  
4th & Clay Streets

**8:00 P.M. ANNUAL FREEDOM BANQUET**  
Virginia Room, John Marshall Hotel  
Donation: \$7.50



Dick Gregory

**TOASTMASTER** Joseph E. Lowery, *Second Vice-President*, Nashville, Tenn.

**INVOCATION** John J. McMahon, *Director Bureau Catholic Churches*, Richmond, Va.

**GREETINGS** Milton A. Reid, *Regional Representative*, Petersburg, Va.

**INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER** J. Rupert Picott,  
Executive Secretary, Virginia Teachers Association

**ADDRESS** SENATOR LEROY JOHNSON, *Member, Georgia Assembly*, Atlanta, Ga.

**CITATION** MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., *President, SCLC*, Atlanta, Ga.

**HONOREE** DICK GREGORY, *Comedian & Author*, Chicago, Ill.



Sen. Johnson

— WEDNESDAY, September 25 —

C. K. Steele, First Vice President, Presiding, Tallahassee, Fla.

9:30 A.M. DEVOTIONS

Kelly Miller Smith, Chaplain, Cleveland, Ohio

10:00 A.M. Formal Opening

ANNUAL REPORT — President King

10:45 A.M. Committee Appointments & Announcements

11:00 A.M. REPORTS FROM AFFILIATES (I) (12 min. each)

Clarksdale, Miss.

Gadsden, Ala.

Nashville, Tenn.

Macon, Ga.

Savannah, Ga.

Danville, Va.

Aaron Henry

Joseph Faulkner

Andrew White

William Randall

Ben Van Clark

L. G. Campbell

12:20 P.M. KEYNOTE ADDRESS — Wyatt Tee Walker  
Executive Assistant to Martin Luther King, Jr.

1:00 P.M. LUNCH

2:30 P.M. PANEL and WORKSHOPS

"THE POWER OF NONVIOLENCE"

James M. Lawson, *Special Projects Director, Moderator*

C. T. Vivian, *Director of Affiliates, SCLC, Atlanta, Ga.*

James Bevel, *Field Secretary, SCLC, Atlanta, Ga.*

Bayard Rustin, *Deputy Director, March on Washington, New York City*

3:30 P.M. WORKSHOPS

5:00 P.M. Adjournment

7:30 P.M. Freedom Singing Nightly by the famous ALABAMA CHRISTIAN MOVEMENT CHOIR, Fred L. Shuttlesworth, President, Carlton Reese, Director

8:00 P.M. PUBLIC MEETING, Belgian Bldg., Va. Union Univ.

Bishop Henry C. Bunton, *National Board, Presiding, Washington, D. C.*

GREETINGS — Dr. Curtis W. Harris, *President, Virginia State Conference, SCLC*

Dr. Thomas H. Henderson, *President, Virginia Union University*

Special Music — Virginia Union University Choir

Offering — A. D. King, *Alabama State Conference, SCLC*

ADDRESS — SENATOR PAUL H. DOUGLAS, (D., Ill.)

Special Music

ADDRESS — SENATOR JACOB JAVITS (R., N.Y.)

'We Shall Overcome'

Benediction



Sen. Javits



Sen. Douglas



Samuel Proctor



Roy Wilkins



Rev. Abernathy



Rev. Shuttlesworth

## — THURSDAY, September 26 —

Samuel W. Williams, *Third Vice President, Presiding, Atlanta, Ga.*

9:30 A.M. DEVOTIONS — E. G. Thomas, Regional Representative, South Orange, New Jersey

10:00 A.M. SPECIAL PAPER: "The Freedom Movement Did Not Begin Yesterday" — L. D. Reddick, Historian, Baltimore, Md.

10:30 A.M. REPORT FROM AFFILIATES (II) (12 min. each)

Charleston, S. C.	Esau Jenkins
Atlanta, Ga.	Oliver W. Holmes
Greenwood, Miss.	Annell Ponder
High Point, N. C.	Robert J. Brown
Virginia	Milton A. Reid
March On Washington	Walter Fauntroy

12:20 P.M. ADDRESS — SAMUEL DeWITT PROCTOR, *President, A & T College, Greensboro, N. C.*

1:00 P.M. LUNCH

### PANEL & WORKSHOPS

(Community Organization & Voter Registration)

Dorothy Cotton, *Director of Education, Atlanta, Ga., Moderator*

Andrew J. Young, *Program Director, SCLC, Atlanta, Ga.*

Hosea Williams, *Chatham County Crusade for Voters, Savannah, Ga.*

Robert Moses, *Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee, Greenwood, Miss.*

3:30 P.M. WORKSHOPS

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8:00 P.M. PUBLIC MEETING, *Belgian Bldg., (Va. Union Univ.)*  
RALPH D. ABERNATHY, *SCLC Treasurer, Presiding, Atlanta, Ga.*

ADDRESS — ROY WILKINS, *National Executive Secretary, NAACP, New York*

SPECIAL MUSIC — Goodwill Community Chorus, Petersburg, Va., William R. Relaford, *Director*

OFFERING — Virgil Wood, *National Board, Lynchburg, Va.*

### AFFILIATE OF THE YEAR AWARD

Citation — A. A. Peters, *President, Los Angeles branch Western Christian Leadership Conference*

Honoree — Alabama Christian Movement for Human Rights Edward Gardner, *Birmingham, Ala., accepting*

### ROSA PARKS FREEDOM AWARD

Citation — William M. Kuntzler

Honoree — FRED L. SHUTTLESWORTH, *President, Alabama Christian Movement For Human Rights*

Presentation — ROSA PARKS

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— FRIDAY, September 27 —

I. M. Augustine, Presiding, General Counsel, New Orleans, La.



Dr. King

- 9:30 A.M. DEVOTIONS — Richard A. Battles, Regional Representative, Hartford, Conn.
- 10:00 A.M. BUSINESS SESSION
- 12:00 FREEDOM SING — Dorothy Cotton, leader
- 12:20 P.M. ANNUAL CONFERENCE SERMON — THOMAS C. KILGORE, Pastor-Elect, Second Baptist Church, Los Angeles, California
- 1:00 P.M. LUNCH
- 3:00 P.M. Executive Board and Staff — Joint Meeting  
(Place to be announced)
- 7:30 P.M. Freedom Singing by the famous Alabama Christian Movement Choir, Fred L. Shuttlesworth, President, Carlton Reese, Director
- 8:00 P.M. PUBLIC MEETING, Va. Union Univ., Belgian Bldg.



Rev. Kilgore

BENJAMIN HOOKS, *National Board*, Memphis, Tenn., Presiding

SPECIAL MUSIC — Combined Choirs of First Baptist Church, Hampton, Va. & First Baptist Church, Newport News, Va.

Offering — Ralph D. Abernathy & E. Eugene Smith, Jr.  
"Churches For Freedom"

FREEDOM MESSAGE — MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.,  
*President, SCLC*, Atlanta, Ga.

SPECIAL AWARD

Citation — L. Grancis Griffin, Farmville, Va.

Honoree — SARAH PATTON BOYLE, *Author*, Charlottesville, Va.

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L. D. Reddick



Mrs. Boyle

...until we meet again



**CONVENTION PLANNERS**—Helping to prepare for SCLC's Seventh Annual Convention, the above group is shown going over final details with National Coordinator Wyatt Tee Walker (c.) in Richmond. From left they are: Father John J. McMahon, State Coordinator Milton Reid, Richmond Coordinator Laurayne James and Co-chairman E. E. Smith, Jr.



**PUBLIC MEETING SITE**—The Belgian Building at Virginia Union University in Richmond serves as headquarters for night registration and all public meetings throughout the convention. Upwards of 2,000 are expected each evening at the public sessions.

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\* Clergy

# Freedom Songs

## THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE

This little light of mine,  
I'm going to let it shine.  
This little light of mine,  
I'm going to let it shine,  
This little light of mine,  
I'm going to let it shine.  
Let it shine, shine, shine.

- 2 Everywhere I go, I'm going to, etc.
- 3 Round my neighbors door, I'm, etc.
- 4 Down on my knees, I'm going, etc.

## WE SHALL OVERCOME

We shall overcome, we shall overcome,  
We shall overcome, some day.  
Deep in my heart, I do believe  
We shall overcome some day.

- 2 We are not afraid . . . today.
- 3 The truth will make us free.
- 4 We'll walk hand in hand.
- 5 The Lord will see us through.
- 6 We shall overcome.

## OH FREEDOM

Oh Freedom, Oh Freedom, Oh Freedom  
after while. And before I'll be a  
slave I'll be buried in my grave.  
Go home to my Lord and be Free.

No more mourning, no more mourning,  
No more mourning after while. And  
before I'd be a slave I'll be buried  
in my grave. Go home to my Lord and be Free.

No more sadness, No more sadness,  
No more sadness after while.  
And before I'll be a slave  
I'll be buried in my grave. Go home to my  
Lord and be Free.

## WOKE UP THIS MORNING

Woke up this morning with my mind  
Stayed on Freedom  
Woke up this morning with my mind  
Stayed on Freedom  
Woke up this morning with my mind  
Stayed on Freedom  
Hallelu, Hallelu, Hallelu, Hallelu  
Hallelu

- 2 Singing and prayin' with my mind . . .
- 3 Walkin' and talkin' with my mind . . .
- 4 Ain't no harm to keep your mind . . .
- 5 Woke up this morning with my mind . . .

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DATE: 10/15/63

SUBJECT: COMINFIL  
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE  
IS - C  
(OO: New York)

Re Atlanta report of SA [redacted] dated 7/18/63.

On 10/4/63 the Richmond Office by letter captioned "National Convention, Southern Christian Leadership Conference, Richmond, Virginia, 9/24-27/63, RM" furnished as an enclosure a copy of a program of the Seventh Annual Convention of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) which was held in Richmond, Virginia, and was made available by Major [redacted] of the Richmond Police Department. The program identifies the officers and staff of SCLC as follows:

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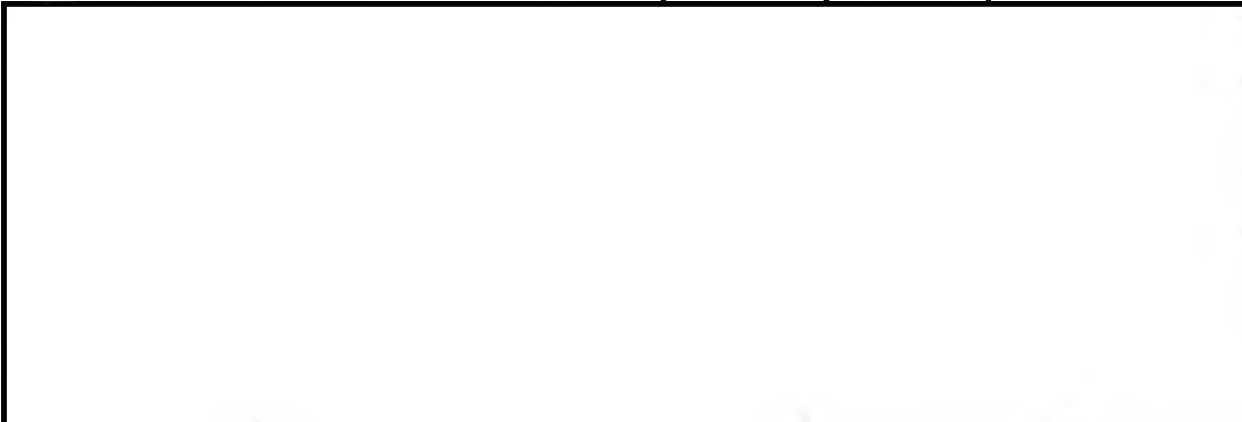
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A confidential source reported on July 11, 1963, that several members of the Richmond branch of the Communist Party (CP) met at Richmond, Virginia on July 2, 1963. At this meeting, the group discussed the present day news concerning the Negro struggles in Danville, Virginia; Jackson, Mississippi; Birmingham, Alabama; Cambridge, Maryland and other parts of the country.

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This source further advised on July 18, 1963, that

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APPENDIX

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE  
FOR MORTON SOBELL

"Following the execution of atomic spies ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG in June, 1953, the 'Communist campaign assumed a different emphasis. Its major effort centered upon MORTON SOBELL, 'the ROSENBERGS' codefendant. The National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case - a Communist front which had been conducting the campaign in the United States - was reconstituted as the National Rosenberg-Sobell Committee at a conference in Chicago in October, 1953, and 'then as the National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell in the Rosenberg Case'. . . ."

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

DATE: October 21, 1963

FROM : *[Signature]*  
SAC, NEW HAVEN (100-18145) (RUC)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL  
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE  
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(OO: NEW YORK)

RE: Atlanta letter to Bureau, 10/15/63.

Page four of referenced Atlanta letter listed one RICHARD BATTLES, Hartford, Connecticut, as a Regional Representative of the above captioned organization.

*[Subject organization not listed]*

Files of the New Haven Office do not reflect any subversive or derogatory information relative to BATTLES.

For the information of the Bureau, New York, and Atlanta, the Reverend RICHARD A. BATTLES JR. is the Pastor of the Mount Olive Baptist Church, Hartford, Connecticut, and has been active in regard to civil rights and integration matters in the Hartford, Connecticut, area.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-116) DATE: 10/28/63  
(100-438794)

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-6520)(100-5718)(P)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
NEGRO QUESTION  
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS

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of a Letterhead Memorandum captioned "COMINFIL OF SOUTHERN  
CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE". Four copies are enclosed  
for New York.

The Letterhead Memorandum is classified Confidential  
because it contains information from NY 694-S\*, which could  
result in identification of an informant of continuing value,  
the disclosure of which could be detrimental to the national  
defense.

The first source in the memo is [redacted]  
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as a PCI (RAC).

The second source is NY 694-S\*.

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stated that he learned [redacted] ~~SECRET~~

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The characterization of "The Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell" is included in the appendix of this memorandum.

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COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Atlanta, Georgia

October 28, 1963

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Title COMINFIL OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN  
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Reference Letterhead Memorandum dated  
October 28, 1963, at  
Atlanta, Georgia, captioned  
as above.

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are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable  
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# — END TERROR IN THE SOUTH —

## SEND U. S. TROOPS TO ALABAMA

The Bestial murder of six Negro children last Sunday in Birmingham, Alabama, brings to a head the wave of terror that has been directed against Negro citizens in Mississippi, Georgia, Louisiana and other parts of the South.

Killing, bombings, kidnapping, use of police dogs and horses, electric cattle prods, blacklisting, ... every conceivable means have been used to deny Negro people their elementary Constitutional Rights.

### AMERICA'S NO. 1 CRIMINAL -- GEORGE WALLACE !

The murderous crew responsible for these outrages are led by Governor George Wallace of Alabama. Wallace has violated the Federal Constitution, and does not hesitate to incite to murder. He is quoted as criticizing the work of the dynamiters with the cynical comment that "of 47 bombings, no one has been killed." He has been further quoted as saying "seven or eight funerals" were needed to solve the racial problem in Alabama.

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### FEDERAL RESPONSIBILITY !

These crimes took place because of the failure and reluctance of the Federal Government to act against such mad racists as Wallace in public life, and the terrorists of the Ku Klux Klan, White Citizens Councils and American Nationalists. As head of the F. B. I., J. Edgar Hoover has failed to bring to justice a single criminal involved in these outrages. Over 50 bombings in the city of Birmingham alone, since World War II, have gone unpunished.

### PRESIDENT KENNEDY MUST ACT VIGOROUSLY !

The lawless elements now in control of Alabama can not be expected to protect the lives and properties of its Negro citizens. Therefore, we Communists support every demand for immediate Federal intervention in that state. We call on the President to issue an executive order placing Alabama under Federal occupation until free elections can be held in which all citizens, Negro and White, have the right to vote.

We call for the arrest of George Wallace, Al Lingo, "Bull" Connor, and leaders of the various hate groups for inciting to murder and arson.

Clean out the F. B. I. and put in people who will truly enforce the Constitution of the United States. End racism in the F. B. I. itself. Bring to justice those criminals directly involved in the killings and burnings.

### DEMOCRACY IN THE SOUTH MEANS A BETTER AMERICA !

Some of our country's most rabid reactionaries are products of the Dixiecrat South. In Congress, their voices are most strident in opposing the Moscow Treaty to ban nuclear testing in the atmosphere. They are historically anti-labor. They are foremost in the efforts to block forward looking legislation, be it medical care for the aged or an attempt to aid the unemployed young people. They are not anti-Negro, but anti-Catholic and anti-Jewish. Their defeat will mean a better America for all.

### PASS A FEDERAL CIVIL RIGHTS LAW NOW !

Now is the time to speak out ! Write President Kennedy, your Congressmen and Senators. DEMAND: Immediate passage of strong civil rights legislation that will outlaw segregation and discrimination because of race, creed or color, and guarantee the right to vote to all.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
MEMBERSHIP LIST  
FOR THE YEAR 1950  
IN NEW YORK CITY

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Reference MEMPHIS LETTER TO DIRECTOR  
DATE 10/2/50.

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New York, New York  
October 30, 1963

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Re: Communist Party,  
United States of America  
Negro Question  
Communist Influence in  
Racial Matters  
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On October 29, 1963, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information which indicated that Clarence Jones was in contact with Martin Luther King on that date. Jones told King that he and their mutual friend had been favorably impressed by Wyatt Walker's brother as an individual. Jones said that in terms of the specific requirements of the New York Office, there did not appear to be anything in his background which would give him any special experience. Jones mentioned that Walker's brother was of the opinion that he could handle the job particularly after it had been indicated that he could call upon the assistance of "our friend" and himself (Jones). Jones also indicated that he and their friend had a cautious reaction about making this a permanent selection because there are so many specialized factors which one needs in doing the job. It was

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mentioned that Walker's brother comes from a background of church relationships and seems to be comfortable in that area. In view of this, it was suggested that Walker's brother, if he were to take the job in New York, he would initially seek to handle those responsibilities which Jack O'Dell had discharged; and that if he did it with the thought of moving away from that slightly and concentrating more in the church area of fund raising, it would give them additional time to get some other person who might have much more specialized qualifications. It was suggested to him that after he had been in the job for a period of time, he would move over from the Jack O'Dell type of work to the work of developing the fund raising base within the church community. King indicated that he would have to discuss the matter with Wyatt Walker.

Jones told King that he (King) and the organization should not feel in any degree "self-conscience" if in hiring a new person it is necessary to bring in Jack O'Dell to show the new person where certain things are and to acquaint him with certain procedures. He pointed out that this is a normal part of transition and that no one could criticize King for doing this.

With respect to the foregoing information, Martin Luther King previously asked Clarence Jones and their mutual friend to speak to Wyatt Walker's brother about the job in New York in order that Jones could give King a candid opinion of him.

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Re: Communist Party,  
United States of America  
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Wyatt Walker is an Assistant to  
Martin Luther King in the Southern  
Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC).

It is to be noted that the New York  
Office of the SCLC has been seeking  
a person to fill the position of  
Administrator which formerly had  
been held by Hunter Pitts O'Dell.

It is to be noted that it has been  
determined from the source mentioned  
above that in the past when King  
and Jones referred to their mutual  
friend they were referring to Stanley  
Levison.

[A second confidential source, who  
has furnished reliable information  
in the past, advised in July, 1963,  
that as of July 16, 1963, Stanley  
Levison was a secret member of the  
Communist Party, United States of  
America (CPUSA). (u)]

Clarence Jones is the General Counsel  
for the Gandhi Society for Human Rights,  
15 East 40th Street, New York City.

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Re: Communist Party,  
United States of America  
Negro Question  
Communist Influence in  
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[A third confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on February 26, 1957, ~~that~~ (u) that he identified a photograph of Clarence Jones as a person whom he knew during late 1953 or early 1954 to be a member of and in a position of leadership in the Labor Youth League (LYL). ~~Q4~~

The LYL has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

The second confidential source advised on September 17, 1963, that as of July, 1962, Hunter Pitts O'Dell was considered by the Communist Party, United States of America, as a member of its National Committee. O'Dell has also been known as Jack O'Dell. ~~(S)~~ (u)

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FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-151548)

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The first source used in this letterhead memorandum is NY 4092-S\*. The second source is NY 694-S\* used to characterize STANLEY LEVISON and HUNTER PITTS O'DELL. The third source is \_\_\_\_\_

used to characterize CLARENCE JONES. (S)u

8-Bureau (100-3-116) (Encl. 13) (RM)  
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(1-100-106670) (MARTIN LUTHER KING)  
(1-100-392452) (STANLEY LEVISON)  
(1-100-358916) (HUNTER PITTS O'DELL)  
(1-100-438794) (COMINFIL SCLC)

1-Atlanta (100-5586) (MARTIN LUTHER KING) (Encl. 1) (RM)  
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1-New York (100-73250) (CLARENCE JONES) (414)  
1-New York (100-111180) (STANLEY LEVISON) (414)  
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This letterhead memorandum has been classified secret because it contains information from NY 4092-S\* and NY 694-S\*. These sources have furnished highly sensitive information with respect to the racial situation in the New York area and Communist infiltration thereof, and it is felt that this classification is necessary in order not to jeopardize the valuable positions of the informants in furnishing information of this nature. (S) (X) U

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(SCLC)

WASHINGTON--REP. GEORGE ANDREWS, D-ALA., ASKED THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE TODAY TO INVESTIGATE THE TAX STATUS OF THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE--(SCLC)--ONE OF THE LEADING CIVIL RIGHTS ORGANIZATIONS.

"THOUSANDS AND THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS ARE COLLECTED AND SPENT EACH YEAR BY SO-CALLED CIVIL RIGHTS ORGANIZATIONS," HE SAID, "AND MANY PEOPLE ARE BEGINNING TO SUSPECT THEY COULD BE A FRONT FOR A FULL GROWN RACKET."

ANDREWS INSERTED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD AN EDITORIAL FROM THE DOTHAN, ALA., EAGLE WHICH SAID IT HAS NEVER BEEN REVEALED WHETHER THE SCLC PAYS TAXES.

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

FROM : SAC, MOBILE (157-192) (RUC)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL  
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE  
IS - C.  
(OO: NEW YORK)

DATE: 11/6/63

Reference is made to Atlanta letter to Bureau, 10/15/63.

Mobile Office indices contain no information identifiable with ALBERT DUNN mentioned on page 6 of referenced letter. Mobile indices reflect that [REDACTED]

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794) DATE: 11/7/63

FROM : *Rub*  
*sfe* SAC, NEWARK (100-47609) (RUC)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL  
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE  
IS - C  
(OO: NEW YORK)

Re Atlanta letter to the Bureau 10/15/63.

~~MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION~~

Newark indices are negative regarding Mrs. HARRIET CLISBY, Merchantville, New Jersey, listed in relet as a Regional Representative.

~~MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION~~

Concerning E. G. THOMAS, South Orange, New Jersey, also listed as a Regional Representative, the city directory for South Orange for 1963 lists Rev. EDGAR G. THOMAS (Cora), pastor, First Baptist Church, residence 152 Academy.

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Newark indices are negative on CORA THOMAS, and reflect the following on Reverend EDGAR G. THOMAS:

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The "Newark Sunday News", 5/12/63, Pg. 4, reflected that Rev. EDGAR THOMAS of South Orange, New Jersey, northeastern representative for the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, had defended the use of children in the Birmingham protests and called for increased participation in the integration struggle north of what he called the cotton curtain.

The "Newark Evening News", 8/13/62, pg. 10, reflected that Rev. EDGAR G. THOMAS, Negro pastor of the First Baptist Church, South Orange, New Jersey, had visited Albany, Georgia, for two days during the previous week.

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The Attorney General

November 8, 1963

Director, FBI

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
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1 - Mr. Belmont  
1 - Mr. Mohr  
1 - Mr. Sullivan  
1 - Mr. DeLoach  
1 - Mr. Evans  
1 - Mr. Baumgardner  
1 - Mr. Bland  
1 - Mr. Forsyth

On October 30, 1963, Clarence Jones was in contact with Joey Adams, the well-known comedian and entertainment personality. Adams stated he wants to give a party in Martin Luther King's honor on November 15, 1963, and that the "right people" will be invited. He suggested that there would be in attendance millionaires, reporters, senators, and the governor. No further details are known about the party and who would attend.

Clarence Jones is General Counsel for the Gandhi Society for Human Rights. He has been identified as being a member and a person who held a leadership position in the Labor Youth League in the mid-1950's.

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1 - The Deputy Attorney General

1 - Mr. Burke Marshall  
Assistant Attorney General

1 - Mr. J. Walter Yeagley  
Assistant Attorney General

1 - 100-3-116 (Cominfil in Racial Matters)

① - 100-438794 (Cominfil of SCLC)

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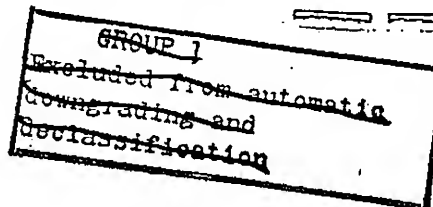
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The Attorney General

NOTE:

This letter is classified "Confidential" since it contains information from a source of continuing value, the unauthorized disclosure of which could prove detrimental to the national defense.

See memorandum Bland to Sullivan, 11-7-63, captioned "Martin Luther King, Jr., Communist Influence in Racial Matters," WTF:mea:pdb.

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W. C. Sullivan

J. F. Bland

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS

1 - Belmont  
1 - Mohr  
1 - Sullivan  
November 7, 1963

1 - DeLoach  
1 - Evans  
1 - Baumgardner  
1 - Bland  
1 - Forsyth

Information was received from Birmingham indicating one Joey Bishop, New York City, who was described as a personal friend of King had been in contact with King and had extended an invitation to King to attend a gathering of influential people, including several millionaires, at his (Bishop's) home during the weekend of November 8-9, 1963, or on November 16, 1963. Birmingham source, [redacted] named Bishop as being one of the celebrities King could call upon to assist in demonstrations in Birmingham. b7D

New York reported a conversation on the same date in which Joey Adams was in contact with Clarence Jones saying he wanted to give a party in King's honor on November 15, 1963, and indicated that all the "right people" will be invited, including "millionaires, reporters, senators and the governor."

Because of the coincidence of names and material furnished, Birmingham and New York were requested to recontact their sources as to the accuracy of the names and information furnished. New York verified the information on Joey Adams by referral to their technical logs. Birmingham source, [redacted] was recontacted and he stated that [redacted] possibly the name could have been Joey Adams and not Joey Bishop. b7D

OBSERVATIONS:

The information from Birmingham source is not verified and we have no way of checking the accuracy. For this reason, it is not believed the information regarding Joey Bishop should be disseminated, however, we are disseminating the information concerning the contact between Jones and Joey Adams.

ACTION:

If you concur, the attached letter to the Attorney General, copies for the Deputy Attorney General, and Assistant Attorneys General Marshall and Yeagley should be sent.

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# Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (100-438,794)

DATE: November 6, 1963

FROM: *RKM* SAC, Little Rock (100-3537) (RUC)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL  
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP  
CONFERENCE  
IS - C  
OO: New York

Re Atlanta letter to Bureau, 10/15/63.

The indices of the <sup>*ARK*</sup> Little Rock Office were checked concerning ROLAND SMITH mentioned in referenced letter, and no pertinent information was located.

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- 2 - Bureau (100-438,794) (RM)
  - 2 - New York (100-149,194) (RM)
  - 2 - Atlanta (100-5718) (RM)
  - 1 - Little Rock (100-3537)
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Date: 11/5/63

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**TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)****FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (157-115)****COMINFIL****SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE****IS - C****OO: NEW YORK**

Re New York telephone call and Birmingham telephone call to New York, 11/5/63.

On 11/5/63 [redacted] was recontacted for any supplemental information which he might have regarding the contact reported in Birmingham [redacted] advised that it was possible that the individual reported in contact with MARTIN LUTHER KING was one JOEY ADAMS rather than JOEY BISHOP. He said that [redacted]

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[redacted] advised that [redacted]

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Mr. Tele. Room	
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TO DIRECTOR, AND SAC, CHARLOTTE  
FROM SAC, BOSTON /157-NEW/

PROPOSED DEMONSTRATION OF MASSACHUSETTS UNIT OF SOUTHERN  
CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE AT WILLIAMSTON, NORTH  
CAROLINA, RACIAL MATTERS.

NOVEMBER TWELVE EDITION OF BOSTON GLOBE, DAILY  
NEWSPAPER PUBLISHED IN BOSTON, MASS., CARRIED ARTICLE STATING TEN NEW  
ENGLAND CLERGYMEN LEFT BOSTON AT FIVE P. M., NOVEMBER ELEVEN  
LAST IN A VOLKSWAGEN BUS AND NINETEEN FIFTY THREE FORD STATION  
WAGON EN-ROUTE WILLIAMSTON, NORTH CAROLINA TO BECOME FIRST WHITE  
PERSONS TO DEMONSTRATE IN WILLIAMSTON. EXPECTED TO ARRIVE WILLIAMSTON  
LATE NOVEMBER TWELVE. WILL BE MET BY REV. PAUL STAGG, VALLEY FORGE,  
PA. ARTICLE DESCRIBES GROUP AS NEWLY FORMED MASS. UNIT OF SOUTHERN  
CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP HEADED BY MARTIN LUTHER KING AND IDENTIFIES  
THEM AS REVS. HARVEY COX, COLIN GRACEY, HAROLD MELVIN, CHARLES  
GLENN, ROGER MAC DONALD, JOHN HARMON, DAVID KING, PAUL CHAPMAN,  
HARRY BIRD, WARREN MC KENNA. GROUP HAS SUPPORT OF EPISCOPAL BISHOP  
ANSON PHELPS STOKES OF MASS. REV. WARREN MC KENNA WAS ONE OF FORTY  
ONE AMERICANS WHO WENT TO RED CHINA IN NINETEEN FIFTY SEVEN DESPITE  
WARNINGS FROM THE U. S. GOVERNMENT AND IN CONTRAVENTION OF HIS  
PASSPORT.

LETTERHEAD MEMO FOLLOWS.

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794) DATE: November 18, 1963

FROM : *[Signature]* SAC, LOUISVILLE (157-90) (RUC)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL  
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE  
IS - C

OO: NEW YORK

Re Atlanta letter, dated October 15, 1963, listing the officers and staff of the SCLC and requesting indices be checked concerning these individuals.

Included on the Executive Board of the SCLC is the name of D. E. KING, Louisville, Kentucky.

The above D. E. KING would appear to be identical with Rev. D. E. KING, who for a number of years, has been pastor of the Zion Baptist Church in Louisville, Kentucky. KING has long been an outspoken integrationist and has been active in racial organizations promoting integration for a number of years. In May, 1962, Rev. KING was one of the individuals appointed by the Mayor of Louisville to serve on a Louisville Human Relations Commission. On March 19, 1963, when the Attorney General of the United States spoke in Louisville, Rev. KING sat on the platform and gave the invocation. When MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. spoke in Louisville on May 29, 1963, Rev. KING sat on the platform and introduced MARTIN LUTHER KING as the main speaker.

In August, 1962, according to news accounts, Rev. KING was one of five Baptist Ministers, all Negroes, from the United States who, at the invitation of the Russian Baptists, visited Russia for two weeks on a Good-Will Tour and after returning, Rev. KING commented to the effect that the Baptist Church in Russia and the American Negro have a lot in common, and that they both are characterized by oppression. No reliable subversive information has been received concerning Rev. D. E. KING.

- ② - Bureau (RM)  
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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

DATE: 11/19/63

FROM : SAC, KNOXVILLE (157-136) (RUC)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL  
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE  
IS - C  
OO: NEW YORK

Re Atlanta letter to Bureau 10/15/63.

Indices of the Knoxville Office reflect no security information identifiable with individuals listed as from Tennessee in referenced letter.

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- 2 - Bureau
  - 2 - Atlanta (100-5718)
  - 2 - New York (100-149194)
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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

DATE: 11-22-63

FROM : SAC, BIRMINGHAM (157-115) (RUC)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL  
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE  
IS - C  
(OO: New York)

Re Atlanta letter to Bureau 10-15-63.

The files of the Birmingham Office contain no information of a security nature pertaining to ALBERT DUNN or NELSON H. SMITH. *not a C*

On January 11, 1943. Birmingham Confidential Informant [redacted] *check*

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (157-115)

~~COMMUNIST~~ Communist Infiltration  
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE  
IS - C  
OO: NEW YORK

On October 30, 1963, [redacted] confidentially advised SA [redacted] that he had recently received information from a highly confidential source, whom he did not identify, that Reverend Martin Luther KING was contacted while in Birmingham recently by a well known screen and television personality, JOEY BISHOP of New York City. [redacted] from information furnished by above source, it appeared that KING and BISHOP were very close personal friends. BISHOP said that he wished Reverend KING to come to his (BISHOP's) home during the weekend of November 8 and 9, 1963, to meet a gathering of many influential people, including several millionaires. He advised that should KING be unable to attend on that weekend then he wished him to come to New York the following weekend of November 16, 1963. KING made no definite statement as to when he might be able to visit BISHOP's home.

[redacted] stated that BISHOP told KING he had a scheme whereby "we can raise millions." He stated they could then go to a "city like Birmingham" and "really put on a demonstration."

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BISHOP indicated the persons who attended the gathering at his home would come from various parts of the country. [redacted] stated that he does not know what groups JOEY BISHOP was connected with but stated KING, in the past, has named BISHOP as one of a number of celebrities, KING could call on to assist him in demonstrations in Birmingham.

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The New York Office is requested to determine the nature of any proposed gatherings such as mentioned by BISHOP and attempt to ascertain any plans which may be held at such gatherings with reference to giving assistance in racial demonstrations. Will advise the Bureau, Birmingham, and other appropriate sources of such information, it being noted that BISHOP used the words, "A city like Birmingham" and mentioning proposed demonstrations. NEW YORK was requested to advise by Birmingham of any derogatory subversive information concerning JOEY BISHOP.

[redacted] requested that care be used not to compromise his source of above information and this should be done by New York in any inquiries made concerning the information furnished.

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*Bishop is a member  
of Sinatra's rat pack*

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## Domestic Intelligence Division

## INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 11-1-63 /

Because of the prominence of Joey Bishop and his connection with King, we are checking Bureau files on Bishop and will make appropriate dissemination to the Department of this information. We will also attempt to determine further details of the Bishop - King connection, particularly as it relates to the communist influence in racial matters.

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

DATE: November 29, 1963

FROM : SAC, DETROIT (100-31774) (RUC)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL,  
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE;  
IS - C  
(OO: NY)

Re: Atlanta letter to Bureau, October 15, 1963.

By means of a pretext telephone call by SA [redacted] on November 26, 1963, (pretext of potential financial contributor) it was ascertained from Reverend CHARLES W. BUTLER, Minister, New Calvary Baptist Church, 3975 Concord, Detroit, Michigan, residence address 3430 West Outer Drive, Detroit, that he is the Regional Representative of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference who is referred to in referenced Atlanta letter.

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Detroit files contain no pertinent identifiable information concerning this individual.

- ② - Bureau (RM)
- 1 - Atlanta (100-5718) (Info) (RM)
- 2 - New York (100-149194) (RM)
- 1 - Detroit

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RE:           BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL.  
              (U.S.D.C, D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)  
V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.)  
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1186

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Subject JUNE MAIL Southern Christian Leadership  
3<sup>rd</sup> conference

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TO : *DKB/*  
DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)  
FROM : SAC, JACKSONVILLE (157-319) (RUC)

DATE: 11/22/63

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Re Atlanta letter to the Bureau, 10/15/63.

Referenced letter lists C. K. STEELE, Tallahassee, Fla., as the First Vice President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) and lists DANIEL B. SPEED, Tallahassee, Fla., as a member of the Executive Board.

The only information in the files of the Jacksonville Office identifiable with these two individuals is a newspaper clipping which was published in the Tallahassee Democrat, a Tallahassee, Fla., newspaper, under the date of 2/21/58. The article is captioned "Negroes Meet Here Tonight to Urge Voting." The article refers to a meeting sponsored by the SCLC for the purpose of urging Negroes to register and vote in the 1958 and 1960 elections.

Rev. C. K. STEELE and DAVID B. SPEED of Tallahassee, Fla., are listed in the article as being officers of the "conference."

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TO : SAC, New Orleans (Your file 100-16747 # 1 memo 20 refs. this ✓) DATE: 12/10/63FROM : Director, FBI (Bufile and Serial 100-438794-40)Room No. 817 RB ✓SUBJECT: COMINFIL  
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1/16 FROM: SAC, Cincinnati (Your file \_\_\_\_\_) DATE: 12/10/63

FROM TO: Director, FBI (Bufile and Serial 100-438794-40)

Room No. 817 RB

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~~CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE~~

SUBJECT: COMINFIL  
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ReATlet, 10/15/63.

WFO indices contain no information on HENRY C.  
BUNTON and R. G. WILLIAMS.

Concerning WALTER E. FAUNTROY, mentioned in relet,  
the following information is set forth:

The current Washington, D.C. telephone directory  
lists the Rev. WALTER E. FAUNTROY, 4105 17th St., N.W., tele-  
phone 723-6713, study 812 S Street, N.W., telephone DUpont 7-3517.  
The telephone directory lists New Bethel Baptist Church Study  
at 812 S St., N.W., telephone DUpont 7-3517, and the New Bethel  
Baptist Church is listed as 1739 Ninth St., N.W., telephone CO 5-0666.

In August, 1963, Mr. JULIUS HOBSON, President,  
Washington Chapter CORE, advised SA [redacted] that WALTER E.  
FAUNTROY was Chairman, Coordinating Committee, Washington, D.C.,  
for the March on Washington for jobs and freedom 8/28/63.

(u) On 1/22/63, [redacted] advised SA [redacted]  
that he had received an announcement in the mail which was an  
invitation from the Jewish Mutual Aid Society to attend a

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- 2-New York (RM)
- 3-WFO

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meeting celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation at the Center, 4402 Georgia Avenue, N.W., on Sunday, 1/20/63, at 8:30 p.m. One of the principal speakers was to be Rev. WALTER E. FAUNTROY, Pastor, Bethel Baptist Church. The Jewish Mutual Aid Society of Washington, D.C. is characterized in the Appendix, attached hereto.

On 10/22/62, [redacted] Confidential Source - PO, furnished the following proposed itinerary, which he obtained through his employment [redacted]. This information concerning FAUNTROY was furnished to SA [redacted]. [redacted] has furnished reliable information in the past and his identity must be concealed. ~~(S)~~

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"Mr. W. FAUNTROY, [redacted]  
[redacted] Poland, Czechoslovakia,  
8/22-26/62 - tourism." ~~(S)~~ ~~AC~~

On 12/2/60, [redacted] advised that source had learned from [redacted] that [redacted] was in touch with a Rev. FAUNTROY of the New Bethel Baptist Church, Washington, D.C. According to the source, [redacted] indicated he had an appointment to meet with Rev. FAUNTROY at Rev. FAUNTROY's office, 812 S St., N.W., at 10:00 a.m., 12/6/60. ~~(S)~~

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[redacted] Shortly before 10:00 a.m., 12/6/60, subject was observed by SAs of the FBI as a passenger in a late model Volga bearing D. C. tags [redacted] which was driven by [redacted].

[redacted] This automobile proceeded directly to the 800 block of S St., N.W., at 9:59 a.m. It was observed that the address 812 S St., N.W., is the office of the New Bethel Baptist Church. The directory in front of this church reflected that Rev. WALTER E. FAUNTROY is the pastor of the above-mentioned church. ~~(S)~~

At approximately 10:30 a.m., 12/6/60, [redacted] was observed by SAs of the FBI to depart the above address, re-enter the car driven by [redacted].

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The "List of Employees of Diplomatic Missions," published by the United States Department of State for the month of November, 1960, lists [REDACTED]

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The identities of the SAs who participated in the surveillance can be located in the Sub B section of WFO file 105-27357.

On 11/7/63, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Maryland, furnished SA [REDACTED] special delivery letter postmarked New York New York 11/3/63 return address [REDACTED]

This letter was addressed to the Rev. T. E. FAUNTLEROY, JR., [REDACTED] Washington, D. C. The envelope contained a letter dated 11/3/63, on the stationery of the National Council of American-Soviet Friendship, Inc., signed by RICHARD MORFORD, Executive Director. This letter extended an invitation to Mr. FAUNTLEROY to speak at a Rally for Peace and Friendship sponsored by National Council of American-Soviet Friendship, Inc. to be held at Carnegie Hall on Wednesday, 11/20/63. [REDACTED]

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National Council of American-Soviet Friendship, Inc. has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

WFO believes that this letter was intended for the Rev. WALTER E. FAUNTROY and a current investigation is being conducted at which time the question of identity will be resolved and the results will be made available to the Bureau and offices receiving copies of this letter.

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APPENDIX

JEWISH MUTUAL AID SOCIETY OF WASHINGTON, D.C.

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It is noted that JOSEPH BIRNMAN, self-admitted former member of the Communist Party (CP) and International Workers Order (IWO) and member of the Jewish Mutual Aid Society of Washington, D.C. (JMAS), advised on November 30, 1955, that the JMAS was composed almost entirely of former IWO members and that the organization was formed when the IWO became defunct to preserve fraternal and sick benefits and to maintain social ties.

A source advised during the period June, 1961, to May, 1962, that the JMAS continues to exist and the regular membership meetings, as well as executive committee meetings, are held at 4402 Georgia Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C., headquarters of the Jewish Culture Society (JCS).

In late February, 1962, this source advised that at a meeting of the JMAS on February 25, 1962, it was stated that other Jewish organizations in the Washington, D.C. area were not interested in working with the JMAS because the members were considered "leftists and communists."

Records of the Corporation Office, Washington, D.C., reflect that the JMAS was incorporated on June 30, 1954, for the purpose of rendering "aid to needy members - benevolent and charitable."

It is to be noted that the IWO and JCS have been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-149194)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL  
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CONFERENCE  
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(OO: NY)ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
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DATE 11-29-79 BY SP2TGL/bf

Re Birmingham airtel, 10/31/63.

On the basis of re airtel, no active investigation is being conducted by the NYO in the absence of specific Bureau instructions.

For the information of Birmingham, CLARENCE JONES, General Counsel for the Gandhi Society, was in contact with JOEY ADAMS, well known comedian, on 10/30/63. ADAMS stated he wants to give a party in MARTIN LUTHER KING's honor on 11/15/63, and that the "right people" will be invited...millionaires, reporters, Senators and the Governor.

EXTREME CARE SHOULD BE TAKEN IN THE DISSEMINATION OF THIS TYPE OF INFORMATION NOT ONLY TO PRECLUDE THE IDENTIFICATION OF THE SOURCE, BUT ALSO TO PRECLUDE KNOWLEDGE BY UNAUTHORIZED SOURCES AS TO THE BUREAU'S INTEREST IN KING'S ACTIVITIES.

- 3 - Bureau (100-438794) (RM)  
 2 - Birmingham (157-115) (RM)  
 1 - New York (100-136585) (MARTIN LUTHER KING) (414)  
 1 - New York (100-149194) (414)

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(2) It should be noted that the source of the above information concerning the proposed party on 11/15/63, had no further details concerning this affair.

The New York Office will be alert for any information which may be received through available sources concerning this matter, and should information be received concerning a proposed racial demonstration in Birmingham, the Bureau and Birmingham will be advised.

Date of Mail 11-27-63

Has been removed and placed in the Special File Room of Records Branch.

See File 66-2554-7530 for authority.

Subject JUNE MAIL Southern Christian Leadership  
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RE: BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL.  
(U.S.D.C, D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)  
V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.)  
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1186

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Smith, Jr., and sent to National Archives.

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

DATE: 12/9/63

FROM : SAC, SAVANNAH (100-5027) (RUC)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL  
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE  
IS - C  
(OO: New York)

Re Atlanta letter to Bureau, 10/15/63.

## AT SAVANNAH, GEORGIA:

The indices of the Savannah Office contain the following information relative to the individuals mentioned in referenced letter residing within the Savannah Division:

### 1. ESAU JENKINS

ESAU JENKINS, 244 Spring Street, Charleston, South Carolina, in April, 1958, was on the mailing list of the Southern Conference Educational Fund, Inc.

In September, 1963, ESAU JENKINS attended the seventh annual convention of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference held at Richmond, Virginia.

### 2. MATTHEW D. McCOLLUM

On August 29, 1955, MATTHEW D. McCOLLUM was listed as the president of the Orangeburg, South Carolina, Chapter of the NAACP.

### 3. HOSEA WILLIAMS

HOSEA LORENZO WILLIAMS, 3115 Gilbert Avenue, Thunderbolt, Georgia, is president of the Chatham County Crusade for Voters, an organization that promotes Negro voter registration efforts in the Savannah area.

In July, 1963, HOSEA LORENZO WILLIAMS was the victim in a reported violation of the Civil Rights Laws arising from his arrest during street demonstrations. This matter did not reach a prosecutive stage.

- ② - Bureau (Registered Mail)  
2 - Atlanta (100-5718) (Registered Mail)  
2 - New York (100-149194) (Registered Mail)  
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4. I. S. LEEVY *S.C.*

On October 18, 1963, I. S. LEEVY was listed as the president of the Columbia, South Carolina, group of the Lincoln Emancipation Clubs, Inc.

I. S. LEEVY is the operator of Leevy's Funeral Home, 1831 Taylor Street, Columbia, S. C., and in July, 1963, was the chairman of the Non-Partisan Co-Ordinating Voter Registration Association, Columbia, South Carolina. During this period, this organization conducted voter registration efforts in the Columbia, S. C., area.

5. BENJAMIN MACK *S.C.*

The indices of the Savannah Office contain no information concerning this individual.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO :

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

DATE: 12/10/63

FROM :

SAC, MIAMI (157-489) (P)

SUBJECT:

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SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE  
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OO: NEW YORK

Re Atlanta letter to the Bureau dated 10/15/63.

Referenced letter refers to EDWARD T. GRAHAM, Miami, Florida, set forth as a member of the Executive Board.

The Miami Office in September, 1962, conducted an investigation captioned "Reverend EDWARD T. GRAHAM, Former President, Dade - Mount Zion Federal Credit Union, Miami, Florida", concerning a \$30.00 shortage. In connection with this investigation, SA [REDACTED] was furnished by GRAHAM a Statement of Education and Experiences and background information concerning himself. Two copies each of this Statement of Education and Experiences are enclosed for the Bureau, Atlanta and New York.

GRAHAM's most recent activities in the Miami area are concerned with integration in the Miami area. On 8/28/63 he attended the March on Washington, D.C. On 8/30/63 the "Miami Herald", a local Miami, Florida, newspaper, set forth a statement by GRAHAM as a result of the March on Washington which is quoted as follows:

"Solidarity, that's the key word. This is the first time the six major civil rights organizations ever got together in close cooperation in something big. I am hopeful it will set a pattern for the future."

A review of the Miami indices reflects numerous security references.

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AT MIAMI, FLORIDA:

Will review all security references and furnish the Bureau, Atlanta and New York pertinent information.

SAC, Miami (157-489)

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Director, FBI (100-438794)-45

1 - Mr. Rosack

**COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE  
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C  
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ReMMlet 12/10/63 in captioned matter setting forth limited information regarding Edward T. Graham and indicating that a review of security references would be made and the results furnished to the Bureau, Atlanta and New York.

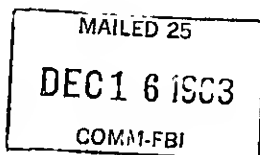
You are instructed to complete this review within two weeks from the date of this communication and furnish the results to the Bureau and interested offices. This deadline should be met without fail and, in the event it cannot be met, you should submit complete justification to the Bureau by return mail and set forth the date on which the information will be furnished.

1 - Atlanta (100-5718)  
1 - New York (100-149194)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

DATE: 12/10/63 ✓

FROM : SAC, WFO (100-42388) -RUC-

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS  
ATLANTA DIVISION

Re Atlanta letter dated 11/26/63 to the Bureau,  
and WFO letter dated 11/29/63 to Bureau, with cc to Atlanta  
and New York, captioned "COMINFIL SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN  
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE, IS-C."

Current Washington, D. C. Directory lists Rev.  
WALTER FAUNTROY as DU 7-351.

WFO letter of 11/29/63 set forth information in  
WFO files re Rev. WALTER E. FAUNTROY.

- ④ - Bureau  
(2 - 100-438794)  
(1 - 100-3-116)  
(1 - 100-106-670)  
2 - Atlanta (100-6520-A) (RM)  
2 - WFO  
(1 - 100-42388)  
(1 - 100-42347) (Rev. WALTER E. FAUNTROY)

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RE:           BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL.  
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SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)  
V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.)  
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U.S. District Judge John Lewis Smith, Jr., and sent to  
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RE:           BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL.  
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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

DATE: 12/12/63

FROM :

SAC, CHARLOTTE (157-260) *Rvc*

SUBJECT:

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SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE  
IS - C  
(OO: NEW YORK)

Re Atlanta letter to Bureau 10/15/63.

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F. L. LeGARDE, Edenton, North Carolina  
Regional Representative

Review of Charlotte files fails to reflect any information of a security nature regarding F. L. LeGARDE.

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GOLDEN PRINKS, Edenton, North Carolina  
Field Secretary

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Review of Charlotte files reflects that FRINKS has been a very active leader in racial integration activities in eastern North Carolina, particularly in the cities of Edenton and Williamston. However, these files contain no information of a security nature regarding FRINKS, with the following exception:

On 1/17/62, [redacted] advised SA [redacted] that [redacted],

[redacted] He stated that he believes that GOLDEN FRINKS is a communist. When questioned, he stated that his belief stems solely from FRINKS' activities with the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

[redacted] offered no further reasons for believing that FRINKS was in any way connected with communism.

- 2 - Bureau (100-438794) (RM)
  - 2 - New York (100-149194) (RM)
  - 2 - Atlanta (100-5718) (RM)
  - 1 - Charlotte
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CLASSIFIED DECISIONS FINALIZED  
BY DEPARTMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE (DRC)  
DATE: 6-14-85/1678 RFP/CA

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

DATE: 12/12/63

FROM : SAC, RICHMOND (100-10241)

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SUBJECT:

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SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

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REASON - FCIM 11, 1-2.4

DATE OF REVIEW *12/27/83*

DECLASSIFIED BY *3902/EUL/TA/1/00*  
ON *11/10/01*

93405 Re Atlanta letter to Director, 10/15/63.

A copy of this letter is being designated for the Boston Office inasmuch as Reverend VIRGIL A. WOOD, formerly of Lynchburg, Virginia, has recently left for the Boston, Massachusetts area.

For further information of Boston, referenced letter identified the officers and staff of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), and VIRGIL A. WOOD was identified as a member of the Executive Board. Referenced letter instructed all offices to check their indices for security information available regarding any individuals listed in their respective territory and furnish this information in a letter to the Bureau, New York and Atlanta.

The files of the Richmond Office reflect the following concerning the individuals identified in referenced letter:

Reverend MILTON REID,  
Petersburg, Virginia  
Executive Board

There is no security information identifiable with Reverend REID.

- 2-Bureau REGISTERED MAIL  
2-Atlanta (100-5718) REGISTERED MAIL  
1-Boston (Info) REGISTERED MAIL  
2-New York REGISTERED MAIL  
1-Richmond  
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Reverend VIRGIL A. WOOD  
Lynchburg, Virginia  
Executive Board

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On December 4, 1962, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] whose identity should be concealed due to request, made available a copy of a news release type communication of the Southern Conference Educational Fund (SCEF) dated October 30, 1962, which reported that at a Board of Directors meeting of the SCEF held at Gatlinburg, Tennessee, 7 persons were added to the SCEF Board and among those identified were the Reverend VIRGIL A. WOOD of Lynchburg, Virginia.

On March 27, 1963, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] whose identity should be concealed due to request and who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised [REDACTED] a "Victory Banquet" of the membership committee of the Hunton Branch of the YMCA in Lynchburg, Virginia. The purpose of this banquet was to celebrate the successful membership drive of the association. Among other people attending the banquet was Reverend VIRGIL A. WOOD, Negro pastor of the Diamond Hill Baptist Church and leader of the Lynchburg Branch of the SCLC.

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Reverend WOOD brought to the meeting a man named CARL BRADEN. During the banquet the chairman of the membership drive introduced BRADEN as a visitor, whereupon BRADEN made a short talk in which he made the following statements:

He is a member of the staff of the SCEF and represents the "Southern Patriot" a publication of the SCEF and also represents "The Daily Gazette" of York, Pennsylvania. BRADEN remarked that he had come to Lynchburg in order to secure information regarding the recent rape trials of THOMAS CARLTON WANSLEY and that he intended to make a "national issue" of the appeals of WANSLEY

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which are now pending from the two death sentences he received in the two trials.

On March 27, 1963, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Lynchburg, Virginia, whose identity should be concealed due to request, advised that he had heard that a man named CARL BRADEN was in Lynchburg, Virginia and that BRADEN was affiliated with the SCEF.

This source made available a pamphlet entitled "A Faith For the South", which was identified as a publication of the SCEF, 822 Perdido Street, New Orleans, Louisiana. This source pointed out that this pamphlet contained on the back cover thereof a list of the members of the staff of the SCEF, which included the names of CARL and ANNE BRADEN. He also noted that the pamphlet contained a list of the Board of Directors of the SCEF and included among the members of the Board of Directors was the name VIRGIL A. WOOD.

On March 29, 1963, "The Lynchburg Daily Advance," a daily newspaper, Lynchburg, Virginia, contained an article reporting that CARL BRADEN attended a meeting of the Hunton Branch of the YMCA in the company of VIRGIL A. WOOD. The article reported that WOOD was listed as member of the Board of Directors of the "Communist Front SCEF," along with LEONARD W. HOIT, Norfolk, Virginia, Negro attorney, "who represented BRADEN when BRADEN refused to testify on February 9, 1961, before the Florida Legislative Investigations Committee in Tallahassee." The article further reported that Mr. BRADEN was convicted in Federal Court in Atlanta and sentenced to a year in prison for refusing to testify before the House Committee on Un-American Activities, and that his conviction was upheld by the United States Supreme Court.

On July 23, 1963, [REDACTED] identified above, advised that the SCEF recently distributed a news release type communication, on the trials of THOMAS WANSLEY, Lynchburg, Virginia. The communication identified

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the Reverend VIRGIL A. WOOD as a leader in a movement to save WANSLEY from death.

Also the communication stated that SCLC of Atlanta and the SCEF of New Orleans were among the organizations assisting in the efforts, "to save WANSLEY from the chair."

On July 19, 1963, [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised [redacted]

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On July 15, 1963, this source advised that on /

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On November 20, 1963, R.O. BROOKS, Chief of Police, Lynchburg, Virginia, advised that Reverend VIRGIL A. WOOD, formerly the pastor of Diamond Hill Baptist Church in Lynchburg in September, 1963, left Lynchburg, to go to the Boston, Massachusetts area.

The Richmond files contain no security information on the following:

~~HERBERT COULTON~~  
Petersburg, Virginia  
Field Secretary

~~DOROTHY MOORE~~  
Danville, Virginia  
Field Assistant

~~HAROLD MIDDLEBROOKS~~  
Danville, Virginia  
Field Assistant

Concerning ~~WYATT TEE WALKER~~, identified as Executive to the President, a review of the Richmond files reflect that the only security information not previously furnished Atlanta, noting that WALKER is subject of Atlanta file 157-169, is as follows:

*See File 100-10241*  
On November 7, 1961, WF 1288-S\*, described as source who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that a delegation of individuals on November 7, 1961, planned to see the Pardon Attorney of the Department of Justice and to present a Clemency Petition for CARL JAMES BRADEN and FRANK BYRON WILKINSON to the White House on November 8, 1961.

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This source on November 8, 1961, advised that one SYLVIA CRANE (WFO advised one SYLVIA CRANE is described in WFO files as a Committee Member of the New York Committee to Abolish the Un-American Activities Committee), telephoned the Office of the Pardon Attorney, Department of Justice and the White House and gave to unidentified secretaries at these offices the names and titles of people

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who would attend the meeting for the Petition of Clemency for BRADEN and WILKINSON. Among those identified was Dr. WYATT TEE WALKER, Executive to Director of SCLC.

On July 17, 1963, [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished to SA [redacted] [redacted] a typewritten report concerning the annual meeting of the National Committee to Abolish the House Un-American Activities Committee (NCAHUAC), held April 27 - 28, 1963, at the YMCA Hotel, 826 South Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. ~~(S)~~ u

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The report which is located in Chicago file [redacted] reads "some changes occurred in the organization, structure and personnel of the NCAHUAC and is indicated below: ~~(S)~~

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"6 Vice Presidents

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{ West Coast: Wyatt Tee Walker or Bishop Love, perhaps

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

DATE: 12/16/63

FROM

SAC, BALTIMORE (100-23228) -P-

SUBJECT:

COMINFIL,

○ SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

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OO: New York

Re Atlanta letter to Bureau dated 10/15/63.

A review of the Baltimore indices reflects that Baltimore file 100-22234 is a main file for Dr. LAWRENCE DUNBAR REDDICK. It is noted that Dr. L.D. REDDICK, Baltimore, Maryland was listed as one of the officers of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) held in September, 1963.

The subject's main file contains many reports from other offices including Atlanta, Mobile and New York.

Atlanta is requested to advise whether a review of all security information, some of which is already in possession of Atlanta and possibly New York as well as the Bureau, is wanted, whether copies of pertinent serials should be furnished to New York if there is no indication they had not already been advised, or whether a characterization is desired for REDDICK.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)  
FROM : SAC, CINCINNATI (100-14305) (RUC)

DATE: 12/11/63  
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Re Atlanta letter to Director, 10/15/63.

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OTIS MOSS, Lockland, Ohio  
Regional Representative

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Indices of the Cincinnati Office contain no subversive derogatory information identifiable with OTIS MOSS.

Current Cincinnati City Directory shows that Rev. OTIS MOSS, JR., and wife SHARON J. MOSS, reside at 69 Chestnut Ave., Wyoming, Cincinnati, Ohio. Rev. MOSS is shown to be the Pastor, Mt. Zion Baptist Church, 325 N. Wayne, Cincinnati, Ohio.

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FRED L. SHUTTLESWORTH  
Cincinnati, Ohio  
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MRS. FRED LEE SHUTTLESWORTH

It is noted that Rev. FRED LEE SHUTTLESWORTH was born 3/12/22, in Montgomery County, Alabama. He is married to RUBY SHUTTLESWORTH. They are the parents of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SHUTTLESWORTH previously resided at 3232 29th Ave., N., Birmingham, Alabama. He was Pastor, Bethel Baptist Church, 3193 N. 29th Ave., Birmingham; also preached at Mobile. Preached in Selma, Alabama, while attending Selma University. He received AB and BS Degrees at Alabama State College. He was President of the Alabama Christian Movement for Human Rights (ACMHR) and a leader of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC).

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During June, 1961, SHUTTLESWORTH accepted pastorate at the Revelation Baptist Church, 1556 John St., Cincinnati, Ohio. SHUTTLESWORTH currently resides at 965 Dana Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio.

Since arriving at Cincinnati, SHUTTLESWORTH has received numerous telephone threat calls at his home. Liaison has been established with him by the Cincinnati Office and he has been contacted on a number of occasions by agents of this office in connection with racial matters. SHUTTLESWORTH was interviewed personally by SAC E. D. MASON on 7/25/62. During this interview, SHUTTLESWORTH specifically assured SAC MASON that he was not a communist and would not knowingly admit communists into his organization.

Sources of the Cincinnati Division have furnished no information indicating SHUTTLESWORTH is engaged in subversive activities of any type.

The following information has been received by the Cincinnati Office concerning SHUTTLESWORTH:

On 10/7/63, [REDACTED] advised SA [REDACTED] that during September, 1963, FRANK WILKINSON was in contact

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with Rev. FRED SHUTTLESWORTH at the Revelation Baptist Church, 1556 John Street, Cincinnati, Ohio. WILKINSON discussed with SHUTTLESWORTH plans for SHUTTLESWORTH to attend a meeting of the Citizens Committee To Preserve American Freedoms, being planned to be held in Los Angeles and San Francisco during January, 1964. During this contact, WILKINSON requested that SHUTTLESWORTH furnish his acceptance letter as a member of the Sponsors Committee of the National Committee to Abolish HUAC (Location ) (u)

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It is noted that on 6/9/63, an article appeared in the Cincinnati Enquirer, a newspaper of general circulation in the Cincinnati, Ohio, area, under the by-line of Jack Lotto. The article was headed, "Cincinnati Pastor Named as Head of 'Red Front'".

The article identified Rev. FRED LEE SHUTTLESWORTH, 965 Dana Avenue, as pastor of the Revelation Baptist Church, 1556 John Street. The article shows SHUTTLESWORTH is one of the top leaders of the integration movement in the South and reflects SHUTTLESWORTH "has been named head of a big pro-communist front". The article indicates SHUTTLESWORTH was elected President of the "Southern Conference Education Fund" located in New Orleans and active in 17 southern states. The article continues "both the Senate Internal Security Committee and the House Committee on Un-American Activities have described the SCEF as an organization set up to 'promote communism' throughout the South".

Appearing directly adjacent to the above-described article in the Cincinnati Enquirer, is another article entitled "Won't Answer Charges, Accused Minister Says". According to the article Rev. Mr. SHUTTLESWORTH was contacted in Birmingham, Alabama, in connection with his identification in the Jack Lotto column as the President of the "Southern Conference Education Fund". The article quoted Rev. SHUTTLESWORTH as answering "I do not intend to become involved in verbal gymnastics with those, who for years, have prided themselves and made themselves famous for slandering character of others without proof and for making a mockery of the democratic process which says a man is innocent until proven guilty".

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SHUTTLESWORTH is further quoted in the article as praising the "Southern Conference Educational Fund" and criticizing the House Committee on Un-American Activities.

The Birmingham Office advised Cincinnati by letter dated 9/8/61, that indices of that office showed no information which would indicate that SHUTTLESWORTH was a member of the Communist Party.

Birmingham furnished correlation memo of indices of that office which shows many references dealing with SHUTTLESWORTH's integration activities. This memo also shows the following references believed to be pertinent:

WF-1062-S\* reported, on 1/7, and July, 1959, that Rev. FRED SHUTTLESWORTH of Birmingham, Alabama, was an overnight guest of MARCUS and ELIZABETH GOLDMAN of Washington, D.C. This informant reported that Rev. SHUTTLESWORTH attended a function of the Southern Conference Educational Fund, Inc., on 1/6/59. WF-1062-S\* advised on 5/31/58, that MARCUS and ELIZABETH GOLDMAN consider themselves Communists, but do not use the word Communist even in discussions among themselves or their associates, preferring to use the words, "Left Progressives, we or us", in place of the word Communist. (X)(u)

The New York Office, in July, 1961, furnished some information to Birmingham concerning the Provisional Committee for Cooperation with the Japan Council against the Atom and Hydrogen Bombs. Rev. FRED SHUTTLESWORTH was indicated as an individual who would attend a conference of this committee in Japan, on 8/6/61.

The Washington Field Office advised Birmingham on 8/1/61, that Rev. SHUTTLESWORTH's file at the Passport Office, Department of State, Washington, D.C., was reviewed on 7/26/61. It showed that Passport No. 1528930 was issued on 4/17/59, to FREDDIE LEE SHUTTLESWORTH, 3191 N. 29th Ave., Birmingham, Alabama. The application for this passport showed that SHUTTLESWORTH was born 3/18/22, at Mt. Meigs, Montgomery County, Alabama, to an unknown father and ALBERTA ROBINSON, who was born on 8/25/1900, at Birmingham. He was

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last married on 10/20/41, to RUBY LANETTE SHUTTLESWORTH, who was born on 5/30/22, at Birmingham. SHUTTLESWORTH described himself as being 5'9", black hair, brown eyes, and occupied as a Minister. He did not answer the questions on the application pertaining to Communist Party membership. SHUTTLESWORTH indicated he planned to depart from New York, on 7/1/59, via Trans World Airlines, for a 30-day trip to attend the International Conference of the Fellowship of Reconciliation in Vienna, Austria. He intended to travel through France, Germany, Austria, Switzerland, Holland, Belgium and England.

In further connection with SHUTTLESWORTH, Cincinnati was furnished by the Birmingham Division a 78-page Correlation Summary prepared at the Bureau dated 8/18/61. Review of this Summary shows the great majority of references concern report received from various FBI offices concerning the integration activities of SHUTTLESWORTH. None of the references in this Summary show SHUTTLESWORTH to have been a member of the Communist Party or other basic revolutionary group. However, many of the Summary references show that SHUTTLESWORTH has been an official of the Southern Conference Educational Fund, Inc., New Orleans, Louisiana, and has been active on behalf of this group. Other of the Summary references show association with individuals or groups for which characterizations are not available to the Cincinnati Office.

Review has been made of the Bureau Correlation Summary and references believed to be pertinent to characterization of SHUTTLESWORTH have been extracted. These references are listed below set out where possible under the FBI Office where original information was obtained.

CHICAGO DIVISION

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[redacted] (protect identity) advised that Rev. FRED SHUTTLESWORTH was the principal speaker of the evening at the "Solidarity Rally" held in connection with the Midwest Conference of Negro Voters (100-429719), on 3/11/60, at Monumental Baptist Church, Chicago.

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CG-5824-S (protect identity) advised in mid-March, 1960, that CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, Illinois CP leader, in discussing the March, 1960 Midwest Conference of Negro Voters, stated that SHUTTLESWORTH's speech was a "rabble-rousing speech" indicating the growing militancy among the Negro people. (S) (u) ~~(S)~~ ~~(S)~~

CG rpt. 4-12-60 (CG 100-35579)  
Re: Cominfil Chicago League of Negro Voters; IS - C  
100-429719-37 p. 19, 22  
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SI 1st par. above  
100-429719-33 p. 3 (Informant not  
(3) identified; furnished reliable information in the past)

A letterhead memo dated 3/11/60, regarding Cominfil Chicago League of Negro Voters, revealed that CG 5824-S\* (protect identity) who furnished reliable information in the past, made available on 3/7/60 a leaflet which indicated that on 3/11/60 under the auspices of the Chicago League of Negro Voters (100-429719), a "Solidarity Rally" would be held at Monument Baptist Church, Chicago. The leaflet listed the Rev. FRED T. SHUTTLESWORTH to be one of the speakers at the 3/11/60 "Solidarity Rally". (S) ~~(S)~~

Above letterhead memo enclosed  
Chicago Airtel, 3/11/60 (CG 100-35579  
(cc to BH)  
Re: Cominfil Chicago League of Negro Voters; IS-C  
100-429719-29 encl. p.2  
(33)

A letterhead memo dated 2/17/60, regarding Cominfil Chicago League of Negro Voters, revealed that [redacted] (protect identity), who furnished reliable information in the past, made available a "call to a Conference" by the Chicago League of Negro Voters (100-429719) which was distributed at a 2/13-14/60 Regional CP Negro Conference held in Chicago. (S) (u) ~~(S)~~ ~~(S)~~

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The "Call" urged recognized and unrecognized Negro leaders - Republican, Democrats and Independents - to close ranks at the Midwest Conference of Negro Voters scheduled to be held 3/11 - 13/60, at the Washington Park YMCA, Chicago. The "Call" listed Rev. FRED L. SHUTTLESWORTH as one of the scheduled "speakers" at the Conference. *(e) u*

Above letterhead memo enclosed  
Chicago Airtel, 2/17/60 (CG 100-35579)  
(cc to BH)  
Re: Cominfil Chicago League of  
Negro Voters; IS - C  
100-429719-25 p.3  
(33)  
SI 100-429719-A "The Worker" 3/13/60  
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"The Worker" of 3/20/60, page 3 carried an article entitled "Midwest Negro Voters Urge a National Body" by SAM KUSHNER. The article was datelined Chicago and stated that a national partisan political organization was called for by the 142 delegates from eight midwest states at the concluding session of a 3-day Midwest Conference of Negro Voters in Chicago. The delegates were inspired by the key-note message of the Rev. FRED L. SHUTTLESWORTH of Birmingham.

100-3-75-A "The Worker" 3/20/60  
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"The Worker" of 3/19/61 printed an article datelined Chicago and headed "Mrs. SHUTTLESWORTH Tells Chicagoans How Liberty Fight Goes on in South." The article stated that 100 years after the Civil War, Mrs. RUBY SHUTTLESWORTH, wife of Dr. FRED SHUTTLESWORTH, Negro freedom leader of the South, told how the South was still fighting for the "rights that were already won in that war", at a rally sponsored by the African-American Heritage Association in commemoration of Negro History Week in Chicago on Lincoln's birthday.

100-429111-A "The Worker" 3/19/61  
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SI 100-429111-A "Daily Defender"  
(3) (Chicago Edition) 2/16/61

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On 8/8/58, [redacted] furnished a letter issued by the Citizens Committee to Preserve American Freedoms in Los Angeles dated 8/4/58, protesting the coming HCUA hearings in Los Angeles. Attached to this letter was an open letter directed to the U.S. House of Representatives which was signed by a number of Negro leaders in the South, Rev. F. L. SHUTTLESWORTH being one of them.

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(Photostats of above letters enclosed Los Angeles letter, 8/20/58 (100-41016) (cc to AT) (Re: Citizens Committee to Preserve American Freedoms; IS-C))

LOUISVILLE DIVISION

On 6/10/59, [redacted]

[redacted] (protect identity), furnished a number of press releases and publicity material regarding a 5/22/59 appearance in Louisville of Rev. FRED L. SHUTTLESWORTH at a "rally for civil rights and civil liberties" at the West Chestnut Street Baptist Church "under auspices of a Committee of leading citizens." A press release dated 4/8/59, issued in the name Citizens Committee for SHUTTLESWORTH, 3147 River Park Drive, Louisville, reported that the meeting was to be "coordinated by the SCEF, of which SHUTTLESWORTH was a board member".

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This release named Dr. M. M. D. PERDUE, Pastor of Emanuel Baptist Church, the Right Rev. C. EUBANK TUCKER, Bishop, A. M. E. Zion Church, and Dr. DANIEL J. HUGHLETT, Executive Secretary, Jefferson County Sunday School Association, all identified as member of the board of SCEF, as co-chairmen of the committee sponsoring the appearance of SHUTTLESWORTH.

Informant also furnished a copy of the speech delivered by SHUTTLESWORTH at the rally on 5/22/59. SHUTTLESWORTH referred to "the Bradens" in his speech and plead for integration and living up to the ideals implied by the term Democracy. (LS rpt. 3/10/61)(LS 100-3533) Re: ANNE BRADEN; SM-C)

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MEMPHIS DIVISION

On 10/6/58, [redacted] "Nashville Banner", advised that [redacted] a reporter for that paper, had contacted Dr. JAMES DOMBROWSKI, Executive Director of SCEF, Inc., (100-10355), and ascertained from him that the Board of Directors of the SCEF was meeting at the Fisk University Campus on 10/4/58 as guests of the Race Relations Dept. of the American Missionary Assn. of the Congressional Churches. DOMBROWSKI also advised [redacted] that Rev. FRED SHUTTLESWORTH, President of the ACMHR, was one of the new board members of the SCEF. (ME rpt. 11/8/58 (ME 100-92; cc to MO) (Re: SCEF, Inc.; IS-C))

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MOBILE DIVISION

[redacted] advised on 7/30/58 that a member of the Montgomery, Alabama, CP club (not identified) had indicated an association with Rev. FRED L. SHUTTLESWORTH, Negro leader at Birmingham, in the ACMHR. (X)

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[redacted] (protect identity) who furnished reliable information in the past, advised on 8/18/58, that the ACMHR was an organization of Negroes under the aggressive leadership of SHUTTLESWORTH, pastor of Bethel Baptist Church, Birmingham, Alabama. [redacted] stated that because of the aggressiveness and unpredictable steps taken from time to time by SHUTTLESWORTH, he and his group had failed to attract the interest and participation of many of the other leading preachers and businessmen in Birmingham. (NY rpt. 7/17/58 (NY 100-131666: cc to AT; BH and MO) (Re: CP, USA, Southern Region; IS-C)) (C) 4

[redacted] (protect identity), [redacted] advised on 11/6/58, that [redacted] attended occasional meetings of the ACMHR, headed by Rev. F. L. SHUTTLESWORTH in Birmingham. (C) 4

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[redacted] (protect identity) advised that at the Montgomery meeting of the CP on 12/7/58, [redacted] discussed the (X)(u)

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possibility that SHUTTLESWORTH would organize a bus boycott in Birmingham. (BH rpt., 1/14/59 (BH 100-4713; (MO 100-10) (Re: CP, USA, Southern Region, BH Division; IS-C). ~~(u)~~)

NEWARK DIVISION

On 9/20/60. [redacted]

[redacted] (protect identity), furnished a bulletin entitled "25th Convention Summary" of the United Electric Convention held at Atlantic City, New Jersey, from 9/12 - 16/60. According to this bulletin, the main speaker at the 9/12/60, afternoon session was the Rev. FRED L. SHUTTLESWORTH of Birmingham. SHUTTLESWORTH was described as a leader in the Birmingham bus strike against segregation and who had faced lynchings, imprisonment and undergone bombings as he fought for the Negro peoples constitutional rights against segregation. SHUTTLESWORTH lauded the working people and United Electric for building the strength of the country.

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[redacted] (protect identity), advised on 9/20/60, that Rev. SHUTTLESWORTH headquartered at the Ambassador Hotel as a delegate to the United Electric Convention from 9/12 - 16/60. The "UE News" of 9/26/60, page 9, made mention of the activity or presence of SHUTTLESWORTH at the convention.

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NK rpt. 10/20/60 (NK 100-6231)  
Re: Cominfil United Electrical  
Radio and Machine Workers  
of America; IS-C  
100-26912-5363 p. 11, 34  
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NEW ORLEANS DIVISION

[redacted]  
[redacted] who furnished reliable information in the past (protect identity), made available on 10/6/58, literature of

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the SCEF entitled "News from the SCEF, Inc." dated 10/4/58, which listed Rev. F. L. SHUTTLESWORTH, Birmingham, president of the ACMHR, as one of the new members of the SCEF Board of Directors. (NO rept. 11/24/58 (NO 100-759; cc to AT; BH; MO)(Re: SCEF, Inc.; IS-C)

[redacted]  
[redacted] (protect identity) (reliability not stated) furnished a copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors held at Park Hall, Fisk University, Nashville, Tennessee, on 10/4/58. The minutes revealed that Rev. F. L. SHUTTLESWORTH had agreed to have his name placed in nomination as a member of the SCEF board and he was duly elected.

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On 2/19/59, [redacted] made available the minutes of a Board of Directors' Meeting of the SCEF on 1/6/59, at the Dodge Hotel, Washington, D.C. The minutes revealed that SHUTTLESWORTH attended the meeting. During the meeting the matter of employing a full-time fund-raiser was presented. SHUTTLESWORTH seconded a motion giving the executive committee authority to employ a full-time fund-raiser to be paid from a loan of \$10,000.00 offered by a contributor on certain conditions for that purpose. (NO rpt. 3/13/59)(NO 100-759; cc to AT; BH; MO)(Re: SCEF, Inc.; IS-C)

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[redacted] (protect identity) on 5/28/59, furnished a record of disbursements of the SCEF (100-10355). According to this record, a check was made out to Rev. FRED L. SHUTTLESWORTH on 5/8/59 for \$25.00 for "Travel Advance". (NO rpt. 6/10/59)(100-759)(AT 100-301; BH 100-81; MO 100-37) Re: SCEF, Inc.; IS-C)

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[redacted] (protect identity) (reliability not given) furnished a copy of an SCEF memorandum dated 4/23/59. The memorandum stated that the SCEF NY Committee would hold a reception at the Delmonico Hotel, New York City, on 5/26/59, at which Rev. FRED L. SHUTTLESWORTH would be the guest of honor and Mrs. FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT the Chairman.

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[redacted] (protect identity) furnished an invitation to the above reception which listed SHUTTLESWORTH as "Leader of the Birmingham, Alabama, Bus Protest". (NY rpt. 6/25/59)(100-3906)(BH 100-81) Re: SCEF, Inc.; IS-C)

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"The Southern Patriot" of June, 1959, Page 4, contained an article entitled "Shuttlesworth Hits 'Red' Hunt". The article was datelined Louisville, Kentucky, and stated that the HCUA and others who accused integrationists of subversion were assailed by the Rev. FRED L. SHUTTLESWORTH of Birmingham at a rally for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties. (The context of SHUTTLESWORTH's speech was set out)

[redacted] highly confidential and reliable source (protect identity) furnished a copy of a 6/30/59 SCEF memorandum to SCEF members of the Board and Advisory Committee from JIM DOMBROWSKI, executive director of SCEF. This memorandum stated that a mass meeting for SHUTTLESWORTH could be arranged in late November or early December under the auspices of NAACP and others, including SCEF, with division of proceeds. (NO rpt. 8/25/59)(100-759)(Re: SCEF, Inc.; IS-C)

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On 12/15/59, [redacted] (u) furnished a four-page printed pamphlet captioned "They Challenge Segregation as its Core", issued by the AQMHR, Birmingham. The pamphlet revealed that it was published with the cooperation of the SCEF and was described as "The Story of the Struggle for Human Dignity in Birmingham, Alabama." This pamphlet urged the recipient, among other things, to send a financial contribution to the AQMHR, 3191 29th Ave., North Birmingham, in care of Rev. F. L. SHUTTLESWORTH.

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[redacted] (protect identity), who furnished reliable information in the past, advised on 1/26/60, that SHUTTLESWORTH was a member of the Board of Directors of the SCEF. (PH rept. 4/27/60) (100-1440)(Re: SCEF, Inc.; IS-C)

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Copies of the minutes of the SCEF Board of Directors Meeting held 11/21/59, at Mt. Olive Cathedral, Memphis,

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Tennessee, and the minutes and resolutions of the special meeting of the SCEF Board of Directors held 1/30/60, at Asbury Methodist Church, Washington, D.C. revealed that Rev. F. L. SHUTTLESWORTH attended the meetings.

The 2/3/60, SCEF news release concerning the Volunteer Civil Rights Commission meeting in Washington, D.C. on 1/31/60 stated that SHUTTLESWORTH, president of ACMHR, was one of the delegates to the meeting.

[redacted] (protect identity)(Confidential and reliable source)  
NO rpt. 3/7/60 (100-759)(AT 100-301;  
BH 100-81; MO 100-37)  
Re: SCEF, Inc.; IS-C  
100-10355-876 p. 10, 17, 32  
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[redacted] a copy of a news release dated 2/3/60, headed "News from SCEF", New Orleans, which was sent to BEATRICE JOHNSON, Editor, Women of the Whole World, Berlin, Germany by SCEF, Louisville, Kentucky. The release was datelined Washington, D.C. and stated that Methodist Bishop G. BROMLEY OXNAM summed up the feeling of many of the 1500 persons attending the first hearing of the Volunteer Civil Rights Commission (VCRC) in Washington on 1/31/60, held at Asbury Methodist Church. Rev. FRED L. SHUTTLESWORTH, Birmingham, president of the ACMHR was one of the delegates to the VCRC hearing. Stories of 10 Negroes deprived of the right to register and vote in five Southern States and the District of Columbia were told at the hearing.

Above described news release  
classified "~~Confidential~~" enclosed  
Bureau Memo, 3/6/60  
Re: Women's International Democratic  
Federal; Info. Concerning  
100-343636-346 encl. p.40  
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SI 100-388425-78 encl. p. 4  
(8) (~~Confidential~~) (LS 100-844)

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[redacted] (protect identity), made available a copy of a 3/28/60 SCEF News Release which was a plea to Pres. KENNEDY and to UN Security Council on U.S. and Union of South Africa situation. The Rev. FRED L. SHUTTLESWORTH was one of the signers to the message. SHUTTLESWORTH was president of the ACMHR.

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NO rpt., 4/22/60 (100-759)  
(At 100-301; BH 100-81;  
MO 100-37)  
Re: SCEF, Inc.; IS-C  
100-10355-896 p. 18  
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The May, 1960 issue of "The Southern Patriot", Vol. 18, No. 5, carried an article on page 1, entitled "Southern Leaders Urge US to Act". The article stated that a telegram was sent to Pres. EISENHOWER at the time of the U.N. Security Council debate on South Africa asking that the hand of the US in the UN be strengthened by making a firm statement in support of Southern Negroes struggling for constitutional rights. The telegram was coordinated by the SCEF (100-10355). The article listed the Rev. FRED L. SHUTTLESWORTH as one of the signers to the telegram.

NO rpt. 7/25/60 (NO 100-759)  
(AT 100-301; BH 100-81; MO 100-37)  
Re: SCEF, Inc.; IS-C  
100-10355-924 p. 23  
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[redacted] a highly confidential and reliable source (protect identity) made available a three-page SCEF form publication headed "Southern Conference Educational Fund, Inc., Highlights of Activities in 1959". This publication stated that the New York Committee of the SCEF on 5/26/59 sponsored a reception at the Hotel Delmonico, New York City, at which Rev. FRED L. SHUTTLESWORTH was an honored guest. (NO rept. 11/23/59) (100-759) (Re: SCEF, Inc.; IS-C)

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[ ] (protect identity) advised that a meeting on behalf of the SCEF was held on 3/13/59 at 215 E. Johnson St., Philadelphia. The speaker at this meeting was Rev. FRED L. SHUTTLESWORTH, Minister from Birmingham, who talked on the problems of desegregation in Alabama. SHUTTLESWORTH stated he was staying at the home of MORRIS FREEMAN before leaving Pittsburgh on 3/14/59. (PH rpt., 12/18/59) (PH 100-34755) (Re: MORRIS DE CAMP FREEMAN; SM-C) (u)

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[ ] (u) (protect identity) made available an invitation to a reception on behalf of the SCEF to be held on 5/27/59 at 228 S. 21st St., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. SHUTTLESWORTH was to be one of the honored guests. (PH rpt. 10/28/59) (100-1440) (Re: SCEF, IS-C) (u)

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[ ] advised that on 10/27/60 the Philadelphia Friends of the SCEF (100-10355) sponsored an informal reception for Mrs. RUBY SHUTTLESWORTH, of Birmingham, at the Fellowship House, Philadelphia. Mrs. SHUTTLESWORTH was the wife of the Rev. FRED SHUTTLESWORTH, Chairman of the Emergency Christian Movement for Human Rights, formerly known as ACMHR. Mrs. SHUTTLESWORTH's talk at the reception concerned primarily the experiences of her and her husband and their teenage children in attempting to fight segregation in Alabama.

[ ] (protect identity) advised on 1/26/60, that Rev. SHUTTLESWORTH was a member of the Board of Directors of the SCEF.

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PH rpt. 11/21/60 (PH 100-1440;  
NO 100-759)  
Re: SCEF, Inc.; IS-C  
100-10355-939 p. 4,5  
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The "National Guardian" of 8/8/60, page 4, carried an article headed "Peacemakers' Workshop Aug. 20 to Sept. 4." The article stated that a 16-day study of "nonviolent direct

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action to challenge injustice will be conducted by the Peacemakers at the former Manumit School, Cornwell Heights, Pennsylvania, from Aug. 20 to Sept. 4. Nonviolent methods would be explored in discussions and workshops in direct action. FRED SHUTTLESWORTH, Birmingham minister, was to be one of the faculty members.

The article stated that applications for the workshop could be obtained from HAL WITT, 802 19th St., N.W., Washington, D.C.

100-426761-A "National Guardian"  
(3) 8-8-60

WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE

[redacted] (protect identity) advised that FRED L. SHUTTLESWORTH, President of ACMHR, attended the Executive Board meeting of the SCEF held at Asbury Methodist Church, Washington, D.C. on 1/30/60. SHUTTLESWORTH presented the name of C. O. SIMKINS for a position on the Executive Board of the SCEF. SHUTTLESWORTH described SIMKINS as a doctor who had done a lot of work at his own expense in seeing that eligible Negro voters were registered in the South. (u)

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[redacted] stated that at the above meeting SHUTTLESWORTH suggested that consideration be given to bringing the matter of the American Negro being denied his rights before the U.N. (u)

WFO rpt., 3/25/60 (100-17107)  
Re: SCEF, Inc.; IS-C  
100-10355-883 p. 2, 3, 4, 22  
(7)  
SI 100-10355-871 p. 1-3  
(WFO 100-17107)  
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A highly confidential source who furnished reliable information in the past (documentation-anonymous) furnished

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a copy of an appeal captioned "Combined Emergency Appeal of the Committee to Defend MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. and the Struggle for Freedom in the South, SCLC Student Defense Fund" New York City, dated April, 1960. One of the signers to the appeal was Rev. FRED L. SHUTTLESWORTH, Secretary, SCLC.

It was noted that the appeal was sent to the Soviet Embassy, the Czechoslovak Embassy and the Rumanian Legation, all in Washington, D.C.

WFO advised that "SHUTTLEWSORTH" might be identical with Rev. F. L. SHUTTLESWORTH, 3191 N. 29th Ave., Birmingham, who was associated with the AQMHR.

A letterhead memo dated 6/28/60 regarding the above matter was enclosed.

Above letterhead memo enclosed  
WFO letter, 6/28/60 (WFP 105-1850;  
cc to AT; BH; MO)  
Re: Committee to Defend  
Martin Luther King, Jr. and the  
Struggle for Freedom in the  
South; SCLC  
Student Defense Fund; IS-C  
100-433547-1 p. 1-3; encl. p.2  
(9,28)

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identity) advised that on 10/30/60 there was a reception at the Washington Fellowship House, 945 L St., N.W., Washington, D.C., in honor of Mrs. F. L. SHUTTLESWORTH. She and her husband, Rev. F. L. SHUTTLESWORTH, had been engaged in integration activities in Birmingham for some time. Mrs. SHUTTLESWORTH gave an unemotional account of the intimidation, fines and bombings she and her husband had experienced through their integration activities. At the end of her speech, a subtle appeal for funds was made.

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A trash cover on 1817 Irving St. N.W., Washington, D.C., revealed that the November, 1960 "Newsletter" of the

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Washington Fellowship House, carried an announcement to the effect that Mrs. SHUTTLESWORTH was to speak at a combined meeting of the "Washington Forum" and Fellowship House on 10/30/60, at Fellowship House.

On 10/14/59, [redacted] Detective, Birmingham PD, advised that the AQMHR, principal organization promoting racial integration in school, on buses and in public parks in the Birmingham area was under the leadership of Rev. SHUTTLESWORTH.

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WFO rpt. 4/13/61 (100-32830)  
Re: Washington Area Forum;  
IS-C  
100-422475-67 p. 10  
(9,28)

A letterhead memo dated 5/5/61, captioned "CARL BRADEN, SM-C revealed that on 5/2/61 [redacted] advised that some people in the Washington, D.C. area received letters with the return address of 584 Alfred Road N.W., Atlanta. These letters enclosed a petition for clemency addressed to Pres. JOHN F. KENNEDY. The petitions requested presidential clemency for CARL BRADEN (100-388425) to "reaffirm the position of the Federal Government supporting peaceful and orderly integration in the south. The Rev. FRED L. SHUTTLESWORTH was one of the signers of the letter.

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Above letterhead memo enclosed  
WFO letter 5-5-61 (WFO 100-33018)  
(cc to AT; BH and MO)  
Re: Carl Braden; SM-C  
100-388425-98 encl. p.2  
(9)  
SI 100-388425 (Irving Fern;  
5-3-61)  
(9)(28) (Copy of Petition set out)

LEADS

- (1) Each office receiving copies of this communication

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should search indices for location of subversive derogatory information concerning SHUTTLESWORTH.

(2) Each office should review references set forth in this communication and verify from original source.

(3) Indices should be searched concerning names of individuals and groups with which SHUTTLESWORTH is shown to have been associated as set forth in these references.

(4) Where pertinent subversive derogatory information is located, this information should be furnished Bureau, New York, Atlanta, and Cincinnati. Complete documentation should be set forth.

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## Memorandum

FROM: SAC, Memphis

(Your file)

DATE: 2-10-64

TO: Director, FBI (Bufile and Serial 100-438794-51)

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SUBJECT: Cominfil  
Southern Christian Leadership  
Conference  
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UNITED STATES

## Memorandum

TO: SAC, New Orleans (Your file \_\_\_\_\_) DATE: 2-10-64 <sup>17</sup>

FROM: Director, FBI (Bufile and Serial 100-438794-51)  
100-16849\* Room No. 817 RB

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TO : SAC, ATLANTA (Your file \_\_\_\_\_) DATE: 2-10-64FROM : Director, FBI (Bufile and Serial 100-438794-51)Room No. 827-82SUBJECT: Cominfil  
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